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GERMANY TO BUILD UP GREAT U-BOAT FLEET

BRITAIN TOLD OF DECISION TO INVOKE NAVAL RIGHTS

LONDON, Dec. 30.

IT IS LEARNED in London that Germany has notified Britain of her intention to exercise the right, under the Anglo-German naval agreement, to build a total tonnage of submarines equal to the British submarine tonnage.

Discussion regarding this is proceeding in Berlin in accordance with the terms of the agreement.

It is recalled that the Anglo-German agreement, while limiting Germany to 35 per cent. of Britain's naval tonnage, and 45 per cent. of Britain's submarine tonnage, gave Germany the right, if she considered the circumstances necessitated, to build up to the full British submarine tonnage.

It laid down, however, that such an increase could only be made after a friendly discussion between the two governments.

It is understood that part of the task of the British mission will be to seek information as to the nature of the circumstances which, in the German view, necessitates an increase in submarine tonnage.

It is hoped that as a result of the conversations, Germany will agree to meet Britain on the various points which the British delegation is putting forward.

British submarine tonnage at the present is about 70,000, whereas Germany's is believed to be about 25,000. An increase in submarine tonnage would necessitate an adjustment of the respective tonnage in other categories in order that Germany's total fleet tonnage will remain at 35 per cent. of Britain's.

It is understood that the discussions in Berlin will also deal with the argument of two new German cruisers.—Reuter.

No Issue On Monday

There will be no issue of the "Hongkong Telegraph" on Monday next.

Publication will resume on Tuesday, January 3.

The "Telegraph" takes this opportunity of wishing its readers

A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

American Flour For Spaniards

Munificent Donation By United States

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30. PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT has confirmed that the Federal Commodities Corporation will donate 500,000 bushels of wheat during the next six months for impartial distribution to both sides in Spain "in order to prevent starvation."

The Committee was appointed to raise \$500,000 from private sources to pay for the cost of milling the wheat into flour which will be transported to Spain by the United States Maritime Commission as far as space is available in vessels.

The flour will be distributed by American friends of the Service Committee.—Reuter.

FRANCO REJECTS OFFER

Washington, Dec. 30. The first 100,000 barrels of flour which have been allotted to the Red Cross by the American Government for distribution in Spain will be sent to that country in January, stated Mr. Sumner Welles, assistant Secretary of State to the diplomatic representative of Loyalist Spain, Sen. De Los Rios on Thursday.

Transporting and distribution of the flour will be in the hands of the Red Cross, which has offered both the Loyalist and Insurgent governments portions of it.

It is reported, however, that the Franco Government has rejected the offer, which means that distribution will be made only to the Loyalist towns and villages.—Trans-Ocean.

LEAGUE IS BANKRUPT

GENEVA, Dec. 30. THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS is going bankrupt because of membership withdrawals, and the League must economise, says the report of the Secretariat.

The shortage of revenue will necessitate economies of nearly half a million pounds a year.—United Press.

Battles Rage In Insurgent Offensive

CERVERA, Dec. 30.

At 4 p.m. to-day heavy fighting continued along the entire front line, but positions are reported to be unchanged to any appreciable extent from those of the morning.

Activity is chiefly concentrated north of Badajoz, in the neighbourhood of Bodera, where very heavy artillery and front-line firing was reported, together with aviation activity.

A Burgos message says that in the Lower Segre sector, the Insurgent advance continued east towards Granadella, the Insurgents capturing the heights of Granadella and Garrigues, and the village of Bodera, crossing the river Canas, where a bridge-head was established.

It was officially reported that in the sector of the Badajoz bridge-head, the Insurgents advanced five kilometres, destroying all the enemy defences and inflicting a heavy defeat on the Loyalists.—United Press.

LOYALISTS LAUNCH COUNTER OFFENSIVE

Barcelona, Dec. 30.

It is announced that the Loyalists launched a surprise counter-offensive in the Lower Segre region to-day.

Reports state that the Loyalists are attacking in the direction of the Segre River, and are making a surprise offensive towards Sarroca, pushing back the Italian divisions, and bringing the Insurgent advance in the Lower Segre to a full-stop.

Fighting is continuing, with the Loyalist counter-attack commanded by General Sarroca, General Lister, and Colonel Modesto.—United Press.

ITALO-EGYPTIAN PACT MOOTED

Cairo, Dec. 30.

It is understood that preparations are already proceeding with a view to negotiations between Egypt and Italy for the conclusion of a non-aggression pact.

The negotiations will start during January, since no reason now exists for postponing them.—Trans-Ocean.

Forswear Tobacco Young Nazis Told

BERLIN, Dec. 30.

ADMONISHING GERMAN youth not to smoke, the Reich Youth Leader, Baldur von Schirach in a New Year's message to Hitler Youth, comprising boys from 14 to 18, and girls from 14 to 21 years of age, emphasises that sporting achievements and smoking are incompatible.

"No formal prohibition of alcohol and nicotine will be issued for Hitler's Youth", the message reads, "as I believe this superfluous, all the more as since you all must show to the Fuehrer in the New Year by your own decision, that you will follow the example set by the Fuehrer, and also in your private lives. The leaders of the Hitler Youth will show you the road you must follow."

"Boys and girls of Hitler Youth! It is your duty to remain healthy. Let this be your watchword for the Youth Year of 1939."—Trans-Ocean.

"Lift Up Your Hearts"—Governor's Message To "Telegraph" Readers

January 1st, 1939.

Governor's Message

NEW YEAR MESSAGE

I believe sincerely that 1939 is

dawning hopefully for the world. There have been many recent signs that the conscience and the common sense of humanity are prevailing against the forces which have done them violence for so long.

Let us then take as the New Year's slogan

"Lift up your Hearts."

GERMAN PROPAGANDISTS ORDER U.S. ATTACK

THIS IS TYPICAL

Evidence of the inclusion of the United States in the scurrilous campaign of propaganda launched in Germany by Dr. Goebbels was provided by the German short-wave station at Zeesee last night.

In the news broadcast in English, Roosevelt is called the Envoy of Judaism.

Commenting on President Roosevelt's decision to donate 500,000 bushels of wheat during the next six months for impartial distribution to both sides in Spain (the offer has been rejected by the Insurgents) the commentator at the Zeesee short-wave station said:

"The Bolsheviks in Madrid are starving Spanish orphans. The labour unions in Madrid have protested to the Bolshevik leaders against this starvation, and are threatening to make an uprising. President Roosevelt, the Envoy of Judaism, is donating quantities of wheat to the Bolshevik cause, but (Continued on Page 4.)

AN INSPIRED STATEMENT to the press to-day declares that there is no hope of improvement in German-American relations, so long as they are infected by an "influence which is openly serving Jewish interests."

The German press, for the first time, publishes the fact that Germany protested against Mr. Harold Ickes' Cleveland speech, and that the State Department rejected the protest.

Following the inspired statement, the order has apparently been given to the press to resume attacks on America.

To-morrow's leader of the "Volkische Beobachter", circulated in advance, declares that the fact the State Department tries to give a semblance of justice to Mr. Ickes' spiteful vituperation, throws a charitable light on the development of German-American relations under the present regime in Washington. The set-back at Lima may cause bitterness. America seems to want to divert blame from themselves by a new invective against Germany. It is clear that Washington desires a crisis in German-American relations just as Congress meets in order

ITALO-FRENCH TROOPS MOVE

Contested Points On Frontier Occupied

LONDON, Dec. 30.

ACCORDING TO the "Daily Telegraph's" Djibouti correspondent, Italian and French detachments are patrolling near the undelineated frontier between Abyssinia and French Somaliland, and have occupied contested points.

So far there are no reports of friction between the forces. The correspondent states that the Italian patrols are merely investigating Ethiopian rebel activities.

Nevertheless, the French authorities have taken special precautions in the areas which, by treaties with Abyssinia, are considered to be located in French Somaliland.—United Press.

FRANCO-SYRIAN TENSION

PARIS, Dec. 30.

RUMOURS that the French Government would send an official delegation consisting of representatives of the Senate, Chamber, and Army to Syria in order to investigate on the spot the situation caused by the non-ratification of the Franco-Syrian agreement, and to prepare a new plan for regulating relations between France and Syria, were denied by the French Foreign Office to-day according to the newspaper "Liberte."

The "Liberte" says that M. Georges Bonnet had a number of conferences, obviously connected with the Syrian problem, during the last few days. The newspaper also joins other sections of the press in a campaign against ratification of the agreement, describing it as an "unfortunate chapter of the Popular Front era."

The action of the present Foreign Minister's predecessor, declares the paper, not only complicated the situation in the mandated regions of Syria and Levant, but also brought about grave attacks from Turkey, in spite of the Sanjak settlement.

The "Petit Journal" strikes a similar note of criticism, and says that France should never give up Syria, and the Franco-Syrian treaty should therefore never be ratified. The question was one which involved the prestige of France in the entire Near East.—Trans-Ocean.

U.S. Journals Relish Scandal Allegations

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.

Early afternoon papers in New York to-day were playing up pick-ups from a "Daily News" copyright despatch from Basle, which carried with it a banner-line: "Goebbels, Love Thief, Is Beaten, Thrashed, Hitler Enraged At Nazi Scandal."

In his story, the correspondent alleges that Dr. Josef Goebbels, the Nazi Propaganda Minister, has been bedridden since December 22 in a Berlin clinic with his head cut, bruised eyes, one of which was black, and with one or two teeth missing, as a result of the "thrust of the beautiful wife" of a German film-actor, who is named in the report.

Loyal friends of the film actor surprised Goebbels in his apartment, and there sought to avenge the actor's earlier imprisonment in a concentration camp, where he was sent in order that Dr. Goebbels could make love to his wife.

The report alleges that Dr. Goebbels' chauffeur intervened in the fight and rescued him, and it is further stated that the "Nazi scandal" has considerable, "almost official" confirmation.

The "Daily News" says that Herr Hitler's displeasure is evidenced by the fact that all films featuring the actor's wife have been withdrawn from circulation throughout Germany. Additionally "this is the second time within three months that Frau Goebbels, who is undoubtedly the most influential woman in Germany, has decided to divorce Dr. Goebbels because of the affair."

The paper says that Herr Hitler personally pacified Frau Goebbels during the first breach.—United Press.

HOLLYWOOD FILM STARS VICTIMS

Two Men Arrested On Gigantic Fraud Charge

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.

WILLIAM BUCKNER, a stockbroker, who was arrested at the beginning of the month on his return from England, and William Gillespie, have been indicted by a Federal Grand Jury for conspiring to commit a mail fraud connected with an alleged Philippine Railway bond fraud.

The indictment alleges that a committee for the protection of bondholders was formed, to which Buckner and Gillespie caused themselves to be elected as chairman and vice-chairman respectively.

Subsequently, it is alleged, they solicited money from bondholders, claiming that it was necessary for expenses in connection with the redemption of bonds, whereas actually the money was converted for their own use.

Thirteen Hollywood film stars, including Miriam Hopkins, Ronald Colman, Herbert Marshall, Frank Morgan, Bing Crosby and Cary Grant have been subpoenaed as witnesses.

According to Mr. William Maloney, assistant United States Attorney General, they will be asked whether they had received money, and efforts to raise funds, promising the bonds to be redeemed.—Reuter.

LATEST

Soviet Troops Massing

Paris, Dec. 30.

Growing Soviet-Japanese tension, as a result of the dispute over fishing concessions, has induced the Soviet Government to send 50,000 troops as reinforcements to Vladivostok, according to "Le Matin", the prominent Paris daily newspaper.—Trans-Ocean.

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Scotch Whisky Must Come From Scotland

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.

A SUIT brought by William Jameson & Co., to be allowed to import whiskies labelled "Scotch" was dismissed by the Columbia District Court to-day.

The Federal Alcoholic Administration refused entry of the whisky because British excise authorities declined to certify the mixture of half Scotch, half Irish whiskies as "blend Scotch whisky."

The plaintiffs asked for an injunction compelling the United States Customs to release such imports and to declare the regulations of the F.A.A. unconstitutional. The court declined both applications.—Reuter.

Football Teams



New members of the European and Chinese football teams pose for the camera before the start of the football match last Sunday.—Pictorial News.

MRS. TANFIELD'S £10,000 JEWELS: £11,000 COTTAGE

Why She Had £2,700 In £1 Notes

MRS. MADELINE TANFIELD, formerly of White Place, Taplow, Bucks, told the Official Receiver in London Bankruptcy Court recently of her country

cottage that cost £11,000; her jewels, worth £10,000; her gambling "system" that won £1,500; a banker's draft for £2,700 that she cashed in £1 notes.

At the end she wept. "When my husband was arrested," she said in a trembling voice, "I returned every single thing I had to him. I think he raised money on it. Some was pawned."

Mrs. Tanfield, who wore a black costume and a "pill box" hat and veil, was accompanied by a woman

friend when she reached the court for her public examination.

MARRIED IN 1926

Examined by Mr. C. Bruce Park, the Official Receiver, she said she married Stanley William Tanfield in New York in 1926. Before that she was an actress partly dependent on her parents.

Her husband never gave her a fixed allowance. He always paid the out-goings. They came to England in 1926.

Mr. Bruce Park: Did you know the nature of your husband's business?—No, I never troubled to ask him.

In 1932 she acquired the lease of Orkney Cottage, Taplow, now known as White Place. She paid nothing for the lease. The rent was about £200 a year. Formerly she

MAN HAD 999 REASONS TO END ROMANCE

Fiancee Asked for One—Gets £400

Dublin.

had had only temporary residence including a flat in Grosvenor Square. His husband provided for the upkeep.

Mr. Bruce Park: Why did you leave your husband?—I wanted to become a writer.

Was it because your husband was an undisciplined bookish? Nothing of the kind.

MODERNISED FOR £7,000

The cottage was modernised for about £6,000 or £7,000. She alleged that was the cost. A large passage to hold four cars was built. Her husband paid.

In 1933 the freehold was bought for £5,500. That was arranged by her husband, £7,000 being raised by mortgage on the property.

Mrs. Tanfield agreed that she had signed cheques in blank at her husband's request, frequently 50 or 60 at a time.

Asked about her gambling activities, Mrs. Tanfield agreed that her account showed that she had won £1,500 since January, 1937. "I had a system at roulette de fer," she declared. "I consistently won."

Two or three days after her husband's arrest she learned of the liabilities in her statement of affairs. Is it a fact that you merely signed any documents your husband put before you?—Exactly.

Mrs. Tanfield agreed that Mr. Max Gerson, whom she had known for about 10 years, was shown as a creditor for £300 in her statement of affairs.

At the request of her husband he had found a purchaser for White Place.

Mr. Bruce Park: Did you want to dispose of the property without the creditors becoming aware of it?—No.

After payment of the mortgage, she received £2,700 by banker's draft, which was cashed at a bank in Lombard Street in £1 notes.

"WHY £1 NOTES?"

Mr. Bruce Park: Why did you take it in £1 notes?—That is rather a long story. Have you the patience to hear it?

Mr. Registrar: Pardon: You should show a little more restraint. You are not impressing me as a witness. You appear to be enjoying yourself.

Mrs. Tanfield: I am not. Mr. Bruce Park: Why did you draw the money in £1 notes?—I found that detectives were chasing me and, on the previous day, they were slow at the bank in cashing the cheques. I had made arrangements to go to France. When I went to the bank the next morning they kept me a long time. I was highly annoyed and said I wanted it in £1 notes.

Why should the fact that detectives were following you make you want to draw it in £1 notes?—I just wanted to give them something to think about.

It was not done so that their disposal could not be traced in any way?—Indeed not.

LOOKED TO HUSBAND

The money was handed to her husband, except about £200, "enough to take myself to France," on April 4.

She looked to her husband to pay the creditors.

Why did you go?—I wanted to take my children away from everything. It was close to my husband's trial.

Replying to Mr. W. A. L. Raeburn, counsel for the trustee, Mrs. Tanfield said she had given away jewellery which cost £1,160, "and not £11,600."

Mr. Raeburn: You know that there is about £10,000 to be accounted for since January last year; what has happened to it?

"I don't know," replied Mrs. Tanfield in a rather loud voice.

REGISTRAR'S WARNING

The Registrar warned her "not to answer like that."

"I may think you are not accounting for your assets," he said, "and it

A THIRTY-YEARS-OLD Dublin hunting man, who described his engagement as "a trial run" and eventually told his fiancée he had 999 good reasons why it should end, was ordered in the High Court recently to pay £400 damages, with costs, for breach of promise.

This sum was awarded to a smartly dressed Miss Ivy Edyth Simmendinger, also aged 30, and follower to Foxhounds, of Longford-Terrace, Monkstown, County Dublin.

The defendant, Mr. Osmond Dixon, a handsome commercial traveller, of Westminister-road, Foxrock, County Dublin, denied that he promised to marry Miss Simmendinger, a d d pleaded alternatively that any alleged promise was rescinded by mutual consent.

Mr. E. C. Micks, for Miss Simmendinger, said Mr. Dixon's standard of living was fairly high and the court would see that "he did himself fairly well."

When Miss Simmendinger was 20 she and her sister went to Worthing and started a business as women's costumers.

Mr. Dixon used to visit them there, and after she had spent a holiday in Ireland in 1936 he wrote proposing marriage. When she came over for the cub-hunting season in October he gave her six rings from which to choose.

In one letter, said Mr. Micks, Mr. Dixon referred to "a really super fox-hunt yesterday" and mentioned that newcomers at the meeting included two girls "very much out of the top drawer from Galway."

On February 8 he wrote, "You may as well have the plan I told you don't seem to have read my previous letters correctly. My engagement is ended. I have no intention of getting married."

Later in the letter he remarked, "I always consider engagements trials runs, and no doubt you will agree it is better to find out sooner than later."

CHANGED HIS MIND

Miss Simmendinger, giving evidence, said she and Mr. Dixon were born in the same road and were the same age.

In February she went to see him. He said there were 999 good reasons why the engagement should end. She told him, "Never mind, I will wait for you." He then said he had changed his mind.

Mr. Fitzgerald, for Mr. Dixon, said his client had no savings, and the outside value of his income was between £500 and £600 a year.

He was made to feel that in some way he was not regarded as a desirable son-in-law, and felt it would not be fair to keep Miss Simmendinger waiting for two or three years in the hope that his financial position would improve.

Mr. Dixon said that the hunting cost him only about £1 a week.

may be I shall have to adjourn your examination sine die."

Mrs. Tanfield agreed that in January, 1937, her assets were valued at £21,975.

Mr. Raeburn: Is it right that that included £10,000 worth of jewellery?—Yes.

It was at this stage that Mrs. Tanfield broke down and began to cry. Questioned later by Mr. J. Jacobs, counsel for Mr. Gerson, she agreed that Mr. Gerson was to receive a commission on the sale of White Place. She denied that the sale was fraudulent in any way.

Mrs. Tanfield, whose statement of affairs showed liabilities of £11,504 and assets of £927, gave an undertaking to supply the trustee with a list of jewellery which had been disposed of over the value of £100, and the examination ended.

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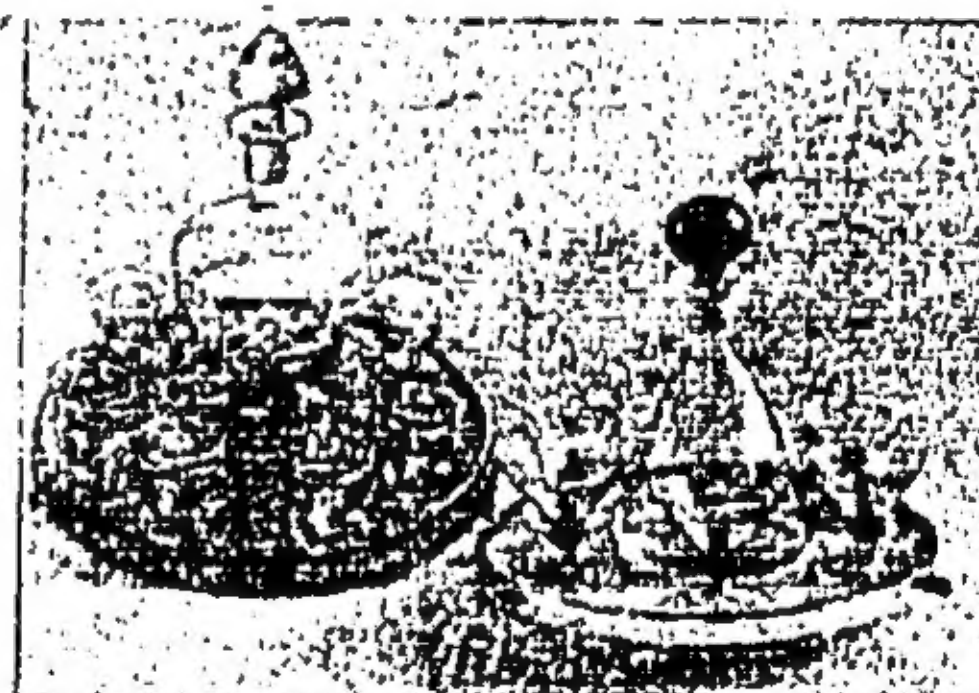
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"About two years ago I developed a violent attack of rheumatism in my left shoulder blade. I tried all sorts of remedies, but with no results, until one day my brother-in-law, on hearing of my suffering, exclaimed 'There is only one thing to cure rheumatism! That is—Kruschen Salts!' I decided to purchase a bottle, and for the first week took a tea-spoonful in a glass of hot water each morning. The pain gradually disappeared and has now gone entirely. I am still taking my early morning dose, as I feel convinced that it is keeping me fit."

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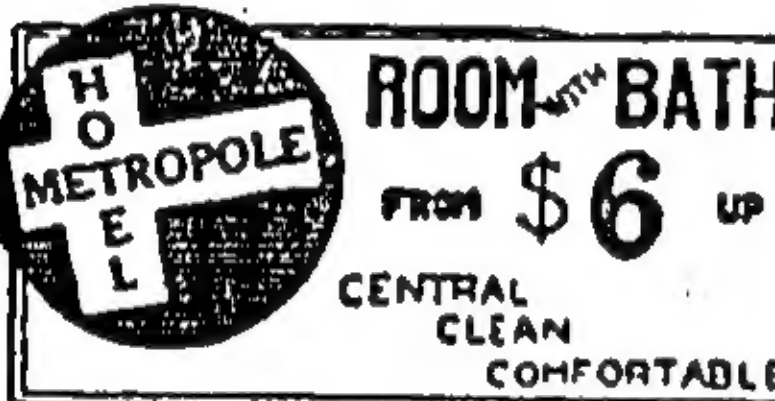
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ENGLISHMAN'S HOME IS HIS—REFRIGERATOR

BRITONS were advised recently to turn on the heat and to stop living in "houses like refrigerators" and under conditions which "manufacture colds and chills."

"For most of our people winter is an ordeal," declared Mr. Matthew Anderson, director of the Coal Utilisation Council, at the National Coal Convention.

"In millions of homes we have only one warm room, even in the coldest weather, with the rest of the house like a refrigerator. These conditions manufacture colds and chills."

Many schools were under-heated, and a former chief inspector of L.C.C. elementary schools had said that in some of London's schools the children had been too cold sometimes to be educated.

Too many hotels outside London were still backward in heating. "I have been charged 3s. 6d. for a coal fire in my bedroom in a northern city," Mr. Anderson remarked.

"I am convinced that a successful outcome of the campaign to

keep the British public warm would require an increased use of at least 5,000,000 tons of coal a year."

MINISTER'S PLEA

If Parliament removed the regulations operating against home-produced fuel national security would gain, there would be more work in the coalfields and a better balance of trade through limiting foreign imports.

Mr. Oliver Stanley, President of the Board of Trade, appealed for unity in the coal industry and said that more and more in these difficult times each industry had to consider itself as a whole and to try to make allowances for each other's problems.

Television Is Looking Up

THERE is a boom in television.

It is not comparable with the radio boom of a few years ago, when manufacturers sold sets as fast as they could make them under mass production methods, but there has been a very big jump in television sales.

"We are selling as many television sets as we can turn out at the moment," a member of one firm said. "Any would-be viewer is lucky if he can buy a set and get delivery between now and Christmas."

Their Poor Relations Live In Trafalgar Square

FOUR thousand one hundred and three pigeons—ranging in value from £2 to £100 each—cooed, pouted, flapped, strutted, pecked and preened at Alexandra Palace recently while 46 judges—45 men and a woman—assessed their merits in the third championship of the National Pigeon Association.

Between the cages walked fanciers, judges, stewards, amateurs, breeders, and a handful of people who were just looking on.

Anybody who thinks a pigeon is one of those fat bluish-tinted birds that puff about the City streets or flap round the corn-carriers in Trafalgar Square should get an expert to take him round the show. Moderns are judged on their carriage (like mannequins). They have the form of a large-sized wren, with cocky tails. Dragons have white "coral" encrusted round the beak.

Fantails are judged by the way they bend their heads back so that a judge can see only the sweeping curve of the breast.

Jacobins hide their heads with a mane of fluffy feathers.

Trumpeters, most fantastic of all, have long whiskers round their feet and so heavy a mane that it has to be cut at the breeding season.

Pouters are the comedians, and their slimmer, lighter, relatives, the Fygies, who can blow themselves out into a graceful oval.

"TWO FACED"

Short-faced, long-faced, bald-headed, like coots, grey, magenta, blue, speckled, like shot-silk, they sit in their cages pecking their food, patient and very lovely, presenting as much variety as Negroes, Chinese, Redskins, Arabs and Europeans.

And all emitting that soothing, rippling sound that is like nothing so much as the drag of shingle, on a dead-calm day.



Mr. T. H. G. Brayfield chatting with Mr. Israel outside the weighing-in room after leading in Salvage Master which won the Autumn Champions recently.—Pictorial News.

LORD BEAUCHAMP DIES AFTER U.S. FAMILY REUNION

A FEW weeks after taking part in a convention of the Lygon family in America, Earl Beauchamp, head of the English branch and leader of the Liberal Party in the House of Lords from 1924 to 1931, has died in New York, aged 66.

He had been ill for nearly a month, but the nature of his illness was not disclosed.

Lord Elmley, his son and heir, who was called to his father's bedside last month, is returning to England with the body.

In October Lord Beauchamp sailed for America to visit his cousins, and, with his daughters, Lady Mary and Lady Dorothy Lygon, and his son, the Hon. Richard, attended a convention of the family at Washington.

It lasted for three days and ended with a dance attended by all the assembled Lygons (or Ligons, as the American members of the family spell their name).

The family has spread widely since its beginnings at Madresfield Court, Malvern, and the American chief claimant is Mr. William D. Ligons, Chief Mechanical Engineer of the Third U.S. Naval District at New York.

He told an interviewer that, counting all kinsfolk and related branches, there are as many as 4,000 members of the family in America. Most are descended from Colonel Thomas Ligon, who arrived on the eastern shore of Virginia from England in 1642.

BY ELECTION

The succession to the Earldom of 33-year-old Viscount Elmley, necessitates a by-election in the East Norfolk Division, which he has represented since 1929. He is a Liberal National and has been acting as parliamentary private secretary to Mr. Hore-Belisha, the War Minister.

Born in 1872, the seventh Earl of Beauchamp, until 1931, had a brilliant and crowded career. He led

the Liberal Party in the House of Lords, was chairman of the National Liberal Club and held many high offices of State.

When only 23 Lord Beauchamp became Mayor of Worcester. At 25 he was a member of the London School Board, and only two years later was appointed Governor and Commander-in-Chief of New South Wales.

In 1910 he was First Commissioner of Works, in 1910 and 1914 Lord President of the Council, and in 1913 Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports.

Lord Beauchamp married in 1902 Lady Lettice Grosvenor, daughter of the late Earl Grosvenor. She died in 1936.

Luise Rainer Now An American

Los Angeles. Miss Luise Rainer, the Austrian-born film actress, has been admitted to United States citizenship.

Last August Miss Rainer took her "final examination" following her request that she might become an American citizen. The examination consisted of a series of questions on history and American Government. Miss Rainer is the wife of Mr. Clifford Odets, the playwright.

THE NEED OF A SECOND CHILD

WHEN a mother came to him with her first baby he always urged that there should be a little brother or sister in about two years' time.

So said Dr. Edwin H. T. Nash, speaking on child welfare in London recently at the Public Health Services Congress. Dr. Nash retired recently from the position of medical officer of health at Heston and Isleworth.

"We are breeding a race of neurotics of the worst type," he said. "The mother-to-day has the delusion, and it is a complete delusion, that she is all that is required by her child."

"We never are, never can be and never shall be at any time companions of our own children. Their outlook in life is entirely different."

CHILD'S RIGHT

"We get parents complaining that little Willie will run out and play with the boy across the road and get so dirty. That is the child's urge—for someone of his own age. He doesn't need his mother. We are depriving them of the companionship which is their right."

"I have pleaded time and again for that other child. It is one of the most

important things that can be dealt with in ante-natal and child welfare service."

Papers were read dealing with the organisation of public dental schemes. Mr. William Ritchie Young, Glasgow dental officer, said schoolchildren statistics throughout the country show about 80 per cent. suffering from dental disease.

NEED THE DENTIST

If all children could leave school, not only dentally fit, but "mouth conscious," it would be a great contribution to national health.

Mr. Granley Smith, municipal dental surgeon, Bournemouth, said the majority of working-class mothers were sadly in need of the services of the dentist. Local authorities should establish schemes staffed by local dentists to deal adequately with those whose means prevent them attending the private practitioner.

Mr. Evelyn Wood, former president of the British Dental Association, said "it was imperative that they should create in the public mind a conviction that a healthy mouth was the gateway to a healthy body, for without that conviction much of their work would inevitably be wasted."

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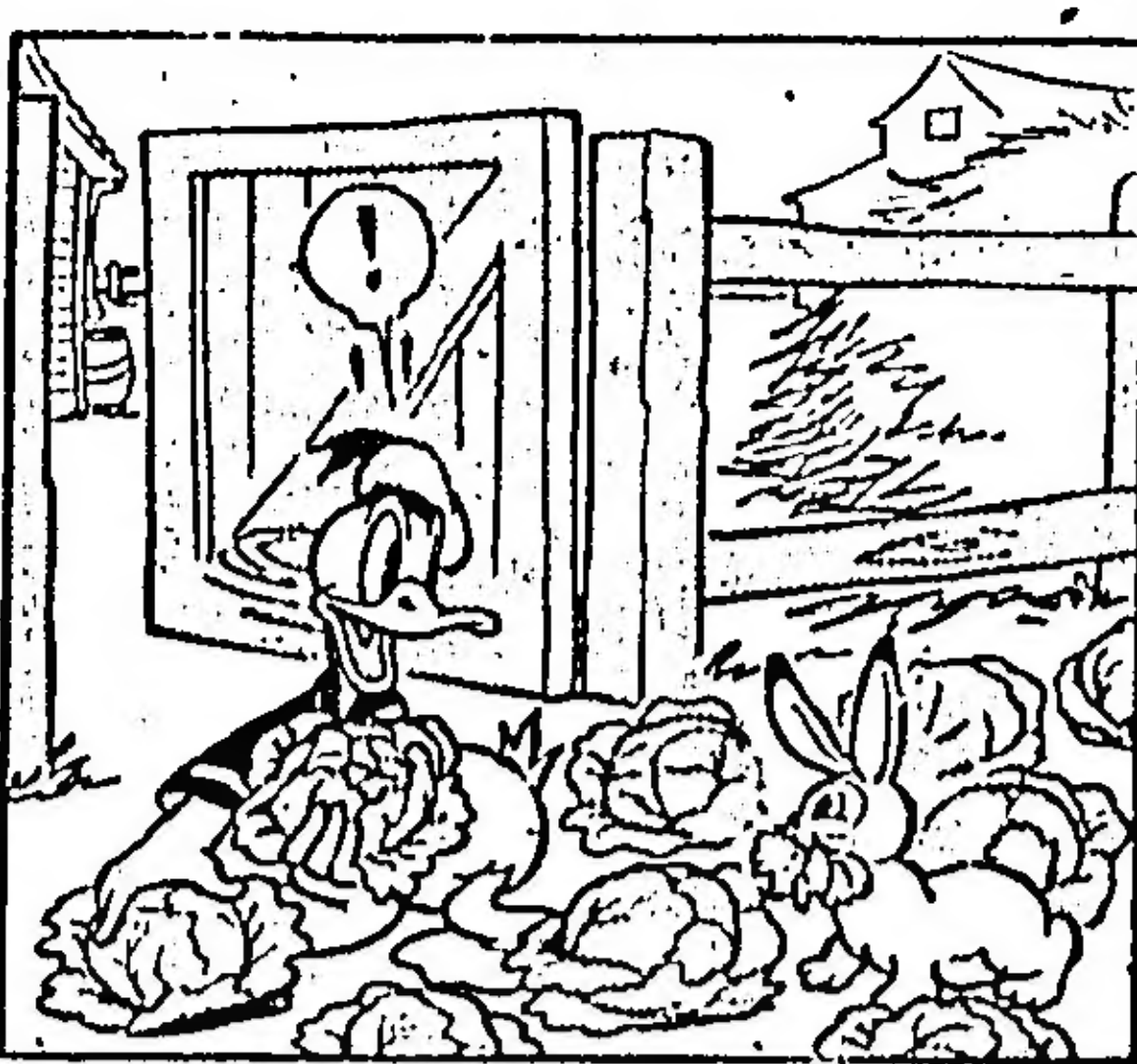
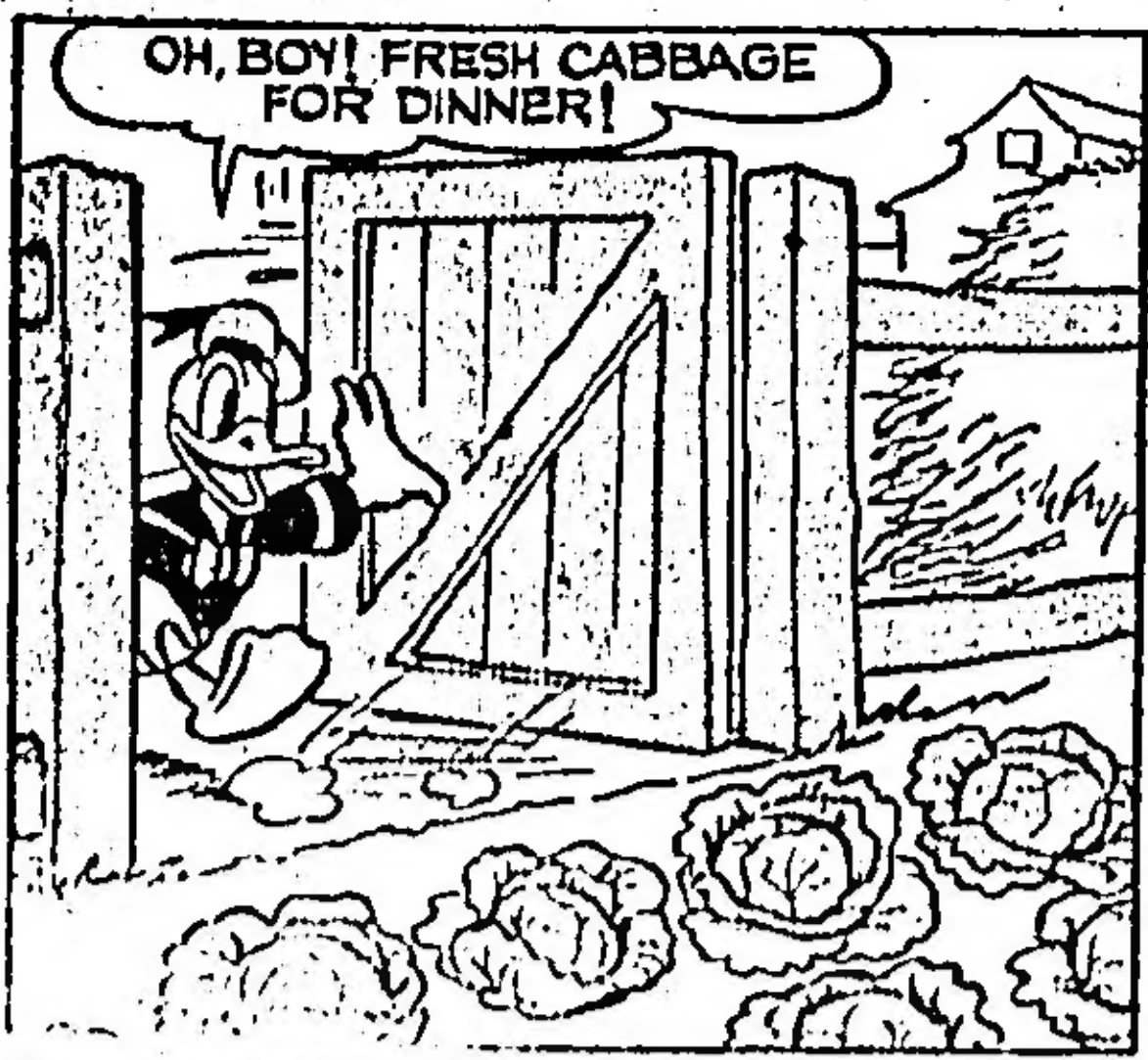
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WANG CHING-WEI'S STATEMENT

Suggests A Peace With Japan

The following message addressed to General Chiang Kai-shek, General Executive of the Kuomintang, and the Members of the Central Executive Committee and of the Central Supervisory Committee, of the Kuomintang, was released by Mr. Wang Ching-wei last night.

"In the Manifesto issued by the Emergency Congress of the Kuomintang last April, there is a section dealing with the reasons for the present war of resistance and containing the following passage:—The reason why after the conclusion of the Tangku Agreement in 1934 we continued, in spite of all humiliation, to negotiate with Japan is because we desired to avoid military action and carry out by peaceful means the double task: first, to ensure the security of the Northern Provinces and then to bring about a reasonable solution of the question of the Four North-eastern Provinces. Politically, our minimum conditions include the inviolability of our sovereign rights and the maintenance of our administrative independence and integrity; while economically, our guiding principle is reciprocity and equality."

"Upon the outbreak of the Lukou-chiao Incident, in July 1937, China saw that the afore-mentioned hope for a peaceful settlement could not be realised and was forced to resort to armed resistance. In a statement issued on December 22, however, the Government of Japan expounded its fundamental policy concerning the readjustment of the Sino-Japanese relations. The first point emphasised is the principle of good neighbourliness and amicability. It solemnly declares that Japan demands neither territory nor an indemnity from China and that Japan not only respects the sovereignty of China but, in order to secure the complete independence of China she will also follow a precedent of the Meiji Reform, namely, that in exchange for the freedom accorded to the

Japanese to live and pursue business in China, Japan will, as a *quid pro quo*, return to China the concessions and will consent to the abolition of extraterritoriality in China. Since the Japanese Government has solemnly issued such a declaration, it is possible, through peaceful means, not only to assure the security of the Northern provinces but also to recover the territory lost in the course of the present war and to preserve China's national sovereignty and administrative independence and integrity. Then we should decide and take steps, in accordance with the Manifesto, to obtain a reasonable solution of the issue of the Four North-eastern Provinces.

Anti-Comintern Pact

"The second point is the Anti-Comintern collaboration. This has repeatedly been raised by the Government of Japan during the past few years, but we suspected that such collaboration would lead to interference with our military and political affairs. This suspicion may now be removed in view of the unequivocal declaration to the effect that the proposed Anti-Comintern Pact between China and Japan will be concluded in the same spirit as the similar pacts now binding Japan, Germany and Italy. The aim of the Anti-Comintern Pact is to check the subversive international conspiracy of the Communists, and for this reason the Pact should not affect our relations with Soviet-Russia. Furthermore, since the Communist Party of China has already pledged itself to the cause of the Three People's Principles, it should completely abandon its party organisation and propaganda work, abolish its 'frontier' Government as well as its special military system and be absolutely subject to the legal institutions of the Republic of China. It must be pointed out that the Three People's Principles are the fundamental principles of the Chinese nation, and consequently, in the fulfilment of our duty to protect the country, we must automatically and positively suppress all organizations and propaganda which run counter to them.

Economic Co-operation

"The third point is economic co-operation. Likewise, this has repeatedly been proposed by the Government of Japan during the past few years. Hitherto we have taken the view that as long as the political impasse remains unsolved, there can be no question of economic co-operation. But the Government of Japan has now solemnly declared that it will respect the sovereignty

and the administrative independence and integrity of China; that, economically, it does not aim at exercising a monopolistic control over China nor will it demand a restriction of the interests of the third Powers, but that it subscribes to the principle of equality in order to make economic co-operation between China and Japan a reality. Such being the case, we should agree in principle and on this basis formulate various concrete proposals.

"After careful deliberation I am convinced that the National Government should promptly, on the basis of the above three points, exchange views with the Japanese Government in order to restore peace. It might well be recalled that the Government of Japan in its declaration of November 3, already changed its attitude as stated in the declaration of January 16. Therefore, if the National Government adopts the above three points as the basis of discussing peace, it will be able to negotiate on all three points. The object of China's armed resistance is to secure its national existence and independence. In the course of the present war, which has already lasted more than a year, great suffering has been inflicted upon the country. If we are able to establish peace in conformity with justice, then the existence and independence of the nation may be maintained and the aim of armed resistance is reached.

Principles of Peace

"These three points constitute the principles of peace. As to the terms of peace, we must take them into careful consideration in order to assure their appropriateness. Of special importance is the point that the withdrawal from China of the Japanese army in its totality must be prompt and universal on all three points. Furthermore, the so-called specified areas where Japanese troops may be stationed for a period concurrent with the contemplated Anti-Comintern Pact must be restricted to the vicinity of Inner-Mongolia only. This affects not only the administrative independence and integrity, and only by this restriction will China be able to carry out the work of post-war rehabilitation and the reconstruction of a modern State. In view of our proximity, good neighbourliness and peaceful relationship between China and Japan is but natural and necessary. The present deviation from what should be the normal condition needs a thorough re-investigation, and either party should try to understand its own responsibility. In laying down the foundations for permanent peace between the two countries, not only should China make her educational policy compatible with the principle of good-neighbourliness; but it is all the more necessary that Japan should take this opportunity to make the above proposals earnestly hope for their acceptance."

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12.00-12.20 p.m. Relay of a Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 Marcel Mule and His Saxophone.

12.40 Light Orchestra.
The Little Captain (Raquelle); Treasures (Clifford); Leslie Jeffries & His Orchestra; Tackledway (Collins); Chinese Legend (Schulenburg, arr. Ellinger); The Richard Cream Orchestra; Aragon-Fantasia (Albeniz); Puerto de Tierra-Bolero (Albeniz); Orquesta Sevilla conducted by Aquino Robert.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Hungarian Music and Viennese Waltzes.

Adun—March (Olivieri); Black Orchids (Richartz); Baranbar Von Gezy & His Orchestra; Hey Gypsy, Hey Gypsy (Countess Marini); Kalman; Leslie Jeffries & His Orchestra; Old Vienna Melodies (Pollack); Edith Lorand and His Viennese Orchestra; That Matchless Pair of Eyes (Pete and Falussy); I'll Give You Away To God (Dr. Sander Jenö); Hungarian Gypsy Band; Let Us Dream Serenade (Carl) Robrecht; George Boulanger & His Orchestra; Southern Skies (Kunneke); Baranbar Von Gezy & His Orchestra.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.40 Bonnie Munro & His Orchestra with Sophie Tucker and Arthur Riscoe.

Foolish Heart—Fox-Trot; Who Loves You—Fox-Trot; Bonnie Munro and His Dance Orchestra; Monn' Low (Dietz and Rainer); Sophie Tucker with Ted Shapiro's Orchestra; Moon At Sea—Fox-Trot; You Needn't Have Kept It A Secret—Waltz; Bonnie Munro & His Orchestra with vocal refrain; Never Was A Girl Like Mary (Ellis); Arthur Riscoe (Comedian) with The Van der Vliet Theatre Orchestra; You Love That Extra Something (I Love) Phyllis Stanley and Arthur Riscoe (Duet) accompy. by The Van der Vliet Theatre Orchestra; The Sun Side Of The Rockies—Waltz; Sweet Genevieve—Fox-Trot; Bonnie Munro & His Orchestra with vocal refrain; Virginia—There's A Blue Ridge In My Heart (Shuster and Phillips); He's Tull, Dark And Handsome (Tobias and Sherman); Sophie Tucker (Comedian) assisted by Ted Shapiro with Ted Shapiro & His Orchestra.

2.15 Close Down.

6.00 Dance Music.

Quickstep—Mine Alone (from 'Paprika'); Slow Fox-Trot—Maitav Melody (from 'Paprika'); Victor Silvester and His Bullroam Orch. Fox-Trot—Ol' Man Nose; Eddy Duchin & His Orchestra with vocal refrain; Fox-Trot—Between The Devil And The Deep Blue Sea; Eddy Duchin & His Orchestra with vocal refrain; Selection—Alexander's Ragtime Band; New Mayfair Dance Orchestra; Waltzes—The Last Drops; Dorkinder (from 'Gypsy Princess')—Kalman; Orchestra Minstrel; Fox-Trot—Mama, I Wanna Make Rhythm (film 'Manhattan Music Box'); Eddy Duchin & His Orchestra with vocal refrain by Dink Miller; Fox-Trot—One O'Clock Jump; Lullaby In Rhythm; Eddie Carroll and His Swingphonics Orch. Slow Fox-Trot—Hush, Here Comes The Dream Man; Henry Hall & His Orchestra with vocal refrain; Waltz—Tulip Time; Fox-Trot—Beside A Moonlight Stream; Horace Heidt and His Aleutic Brigadiers with vocal chorus; Fox-Trot—A Stranger In Parce (film 'Gay Impostors'); Day Denning (film 'Gay Impostors'); Vincent Lopez & His Orchestra with vocal chorus by Johnny Russell; Selection—Everybody Sing; Louis Levy & His Orchestra with vocal chorus; Fox-Trot—Ten Easy Lessons; Small Fry (film 'Sing You Sinners'); Adrian Rollini Quintet.

7.00 Closing local Stock Quotations.
7.02 The Rocky Mountaineers.
Poor Dinah (Morton Morrow); It Ain't Nobody's Biz'ness What I Do (Sampsel and Markowitz); Polly Wolly Doodle; Big Rock Candy Mountain; Underneath The Old Pine Tree; The Trail Of The Lonesome Pine; accompanied by the Bunk House Boys.

7.16 Film Memories.

A Day At The Races—Selection

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Louis Levy and His Gaumont-British Symphony with vocal refrain; The Night Is Young—When I Grow Too Old To Dream; Irene Dunne (Soprano) with Orchestra; 'Every Night At Eight'—Selection; Phil Green and His Orchestra with vocal refrain; Tell Me To-night—Tell Me To-night; Richard Crooks (Tenor) with Orchestra.

7.30 Mark Weber and His Orchestra in Concert; Waltzes with Miliza Korjus (Soprano); Wine, Women And Song—Waltz (Strauss); Moonlight On The Aizy—Waltz (Fetras); Mark Weber and His Orchestra; Olympia's Aria—The Doll's Song (from 'Tales of Hoffmann')—Offenbach; Miliza Korjus (Soprano) with Orch. cond. by Franz Schonbaumsfeld (Sung in German); Dream Waltz (Milkover); Maidens Of Baden—Waltz (Komzak); Mark Weber and His Orchestra; Thousand And One Nights Waltz (Strauss); Miliza Korjus and Berlin State Opera Orchestra (Soprano in German); Artists' Life—Waltz (Strauss); Mark Weber and His Orchestra.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Mills Brothers, The Boswell Sisters and Harry Roy's Tiger Ragamuffins.

8.10 Swing Is The Thing (Bloom) The Mills Brothers (Four Boys and a Guitar); From Monday On (Crosby-Barris); Harry Roy's Tiger Ragamuffins with vocal refrain; Harry Roy; Sentimental Gentleman From Georgia (Parish-Perkins); The Boswell Sisters with Orch.; Miss Oils Regrets (from 'Hill Diddle'); The Mills Brothers (Four Boys and a Guitar); Ragtime Cowboy Joe (Muir-Abrahams); Snelling On The Robert E. Lee (McCauley-Ringle); Harry Roy's Tiger Ragamuffins; Shoe Shine Boys (Chaplin, Cahn); The Mills Brothers; Alexander's Ragtime Band (from the film); The Boswell Sisters with Orch.; You Made Me Love You (McCarthy-Minnico); Harry Roy's Tiger Ragamuffins.

8.30 Selections from Light Opera.

'H.M.S. Pinafore'—Selection (Gilbert and Sullivan); The B.B.C. Theatre Orchestra conducted by Stanford Robinson; 'Paganini'; Vocal Gems (Lehar); Light Opera Company; 'The Maid Of The Mountains' (Fraser-Simson); The London Palladium Orchestra conducted by Richard Cream; 'The Three Musketeers'—Vocal Gems; Victor Light Opera Company.

8.50 London Relay—'London Log'.

9.00 Old Time Songs.

Who Were You With Last Night? Mysterious Rag; Oh! You Beautiful Doll; My Boy; My Southern Maid.

Columbia Light Opera Company with Orchestra conducted by Charles Prentice; Won't You Come Home, Bill Bailey; The Ship I Love; Git yer air; Cut; Champagne Charlie; After the Ball; Break the News to Mother; Ta-ra-boom-de-ay; The Big Four (Vocal Quartette) with Piano; Has anybody here seen Kelly; I do like to be beside the seaside; I want to sing in Opera; When Irish eyes are smiling; I'll make a man of everyone of you; Tipperary; Hold your hand out, naughty boy; Pack up your troubles; A Broken Doll; Ours is a nice house, ours is; One of the Reins that Cromwell knocked about a bit; Yes, we have no bananas; I lift up my finger and I say Tweet, Tweet.

9.10 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

9.13 Herbert Groh (Tenor) and George Boulanger and His Orchestra.

Hungarian March Potpourri (Pecsi-Pelichystal); George Boulanger and His Orchestra; Water Lilies (Dorff-Zander); Only For You—Waltz; Song (Dorff-Zander); Herbert Groh (Tenor) with Orchestra; Budapest At Night (Hungarian Airs—arr. G. von Bittling); Hungary (after original folk melodies—arr. Jo Knaumann); George Boulanger and His Orchestra; Wine Waltz (Gross-Steidl); Herbert Groh (Tenor) with Orchestra; The Gypsy Baron—Selection (John Strauss—arr. Hohn); George Boulanger and His Orchestra.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press.

Tweet! I wonder where my baby is to-night; Goodnight, Vienna; Life begins at Oxford Circus; Jack Hylton; A wee Deuch and Doris; Sir Harry Lauder; Sally—Grace Fields; Music Hall Orchestras and Artists; Shells of Araby; What'll I do; It ain't gonna Rain; Horsey keep your Tail Up; Valencia; Bye Bye Blackbird; Romany; It happened in Monterey; Dancing with Tears in my Eyes; Silver stay away from my door; Round the Marble Arch; Who's afraid of the Big Bad Wolf; The Mo on the Flying Trapeze; My Heart was Singing; Columbia Vocal Gem Company with Orchestra.

9.30 London Relay—The News.

9.50 Relay of the Dance Orchestras from the Grill Room of the Hongkong Hotel.

12.00 Midnight Auld Lang Syne and The Bells of St. John's Cathedral ringing in the New Year.

Close down.

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11.00-12.15 p.m. Relay of Morning Service from St. Andrew's Church.

12.15 Grace Moore (Soprano), Gilt (Tenor) and the Boston Promenade Orchestra.

'Aida'—Grand March, Act 2 (Verdi); Boston Promenade Orchestra conducted by Arthur Fiedler; 'I Pensee di Perle'—I still seem to hear (Bizet); 'Manon'—O charming hour (Massenet); Beniamino Gigli (Tenor) with Orchestra; 'Aida'—Ballet Suite (Verdi); Boston Promenade Orchestra conducted by Arthur Fiedler; 'La Boheme'—Musetta's Waltz Song (Puccini); Funiculi Funicula (Denza); Grace Moore (Soprano) with Orchestra; Waltz (from 'The Sleeping Beauty'—Tchaikovsky); Boston Promenade Orchestra conducted by Arthur Fiedler; Nanna Nanna Della Vita (from film 'Solo per te'—Cherubini—Bkio); 'Ti Voglio Tanto Bene' (from film 'Solo per te'—Furto—de Curtis); Beniamino Gigli (Tenor) with Orchestra cond. by Dino Olivieri; The Whistling Boy (film 'When you're in love'—Jerome Kern—Fields); Our Song (film 'When you're in love'—Jerome Kern—Fields); Grace Moore (Soprano) with Orchestra; Jealousy—Tango Tzigane (Cade); Boston Promenade Orchestra conducted by Arthur Fiedler.

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1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press.

8.45 Relay of an Organ Recital from St. John's Cathedral by Lindsay A. Lafford.

9.15 London Relay—'London's New Year'.

A link by Anthony Weymouth.

9.25 Orchestral.

Overture 'Ruins Of Athens' (Beethoven); Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Arnold Rose.

9.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

9.40 Milscha Levitzki at the Piano.

Eccasale (Beethoven); Hungarian Rhapsody No. 12 (Liszt); La Campanella (Paganini—Liszt); Siacetto Etude (Rubinstein).

10.00 Bach—Suite No. 4 in D Major.

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10.20 Studio—Sunday Evening Epilogue.

10.30 Close Down.

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Jenny's objections to London are two-fold: too lonely and too fatening.

"London seems a nice city. People are very courteous, but not really friendly. Who can a girl talk to when she doesn't know any one in the place?"

"OH, THE KILOS"

But it was the food which worried Jenny most—though she comes from a country of mighty eaters.

"When I see a beefsteak I must eat him. They told me in Denmark about the English beefsteak. He is so good. And the chips. And the onions. But oh, the kilos."

"Danish food isn't anything like so fattening as yours."

Her working weight as a mannequin is 125 lbs. Holiday eating has added six pounds already and Jenny was proposing to eat a final beefsteak in the Harwich boat-train. "And then I shall be starving for a month."

And off she went.

New York Calls It "Bronx Cheer"

Mr. David O. Wilson, Santa Monica, California, wearied of drivers who hooted to spur him on at the traffic lights.

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Best Feet Backward

BRIDE and bridesmaids were kept waiting for a bridegroom at Omore Vale, Glamorgan, recently.

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Mystery Of St. George's Hall: HAS MASKELYNE'S GHOST RETURNED?

"He Said He Would If He Could..."

"It may have been the ghost of my grandfather, John Neville Maskelyne, who died in the war, or my uncle Archie, who died about fourteen years ago. I won't believe and I certainly won't disbelieve. But I would like to sit up in the hall one night and see if at last the Maskelyne disbelief in spirits is disproved."

Mr. Jasper Maskelyne, pre-sent head of the famous family of illusionists, made this remark referred to the story that the ghost of one of his family, led, had been seen sitting in the c's Hall, once-famous home of

genuine it is more than interesting. I don't disbelieve its possibility."

"TAKING NOTES"

"Do you believe in ghosts?"

"I won't say no and I won't say yes," he said. "From the days of the Bible to the present day, Spiritualism has always been a living belief."

"But," he said suddenly, intensely, "this ghost sits in the stalls—where my uncle sat taking notes. My grandfather always sat in a corner on the left at the back, what we call the 'Poet's Corner.' I am going to sit up for him one night, soon. Perhaps a Maskelyne has come back after all."

If Maskelyne, arch-debunker of ghosts, has returned to haunt a London theatre he is in good company.

Fifty or 60 people have seen the ghost of Drury Lane, the youngish man with a curled wig, a grey full-skirted coat, knee-breeches, buckled shoes, a handsome, sad face, who walks from the left-hand side of the stage, through a brick wall to the back of the upper circle, straight

through another brick wall into a bar.

DAGGER IN RIBS

Years ago, when they were rebuilding a part of the theatre, they found a little room, walled up, airless, dark, on that left-hand side of the stage. It used to be a pass door. Workmen stripping the bricked-up wall noticed new bricks. They broke through the wall, found a room.

On the floor, huddled, were the cluttered, twisted remains of a man who had died in agony. A dagger stuck skew-wise in his ribs. The fragments of a grey riding cloak whispered like leaves across the floor as the air broke in.

"He's genuine all right," Mr. McQueen-Pope of Drury Lane said recently. "Too many people have seen the ghost within the last 12 months for us to disbelieve it—cleaners, actors, members of the audience, and others."

The Haymarket Theatre has its ghost—Buckstone, the great actor-playwright who died in 1879, after he had written about 160 plays. "He looked like Gordon Barker and he has been seen again and again" an official of the theatre said.

They have a woman at the Royalty, that doomed theatre in Soho, which falls into dust and debris at the end of this year. She is a woman in white, dressed in a Queen Anne hooped skirt, panned. She has a white high pompadour head-dress.

THEATRE GHOSTS

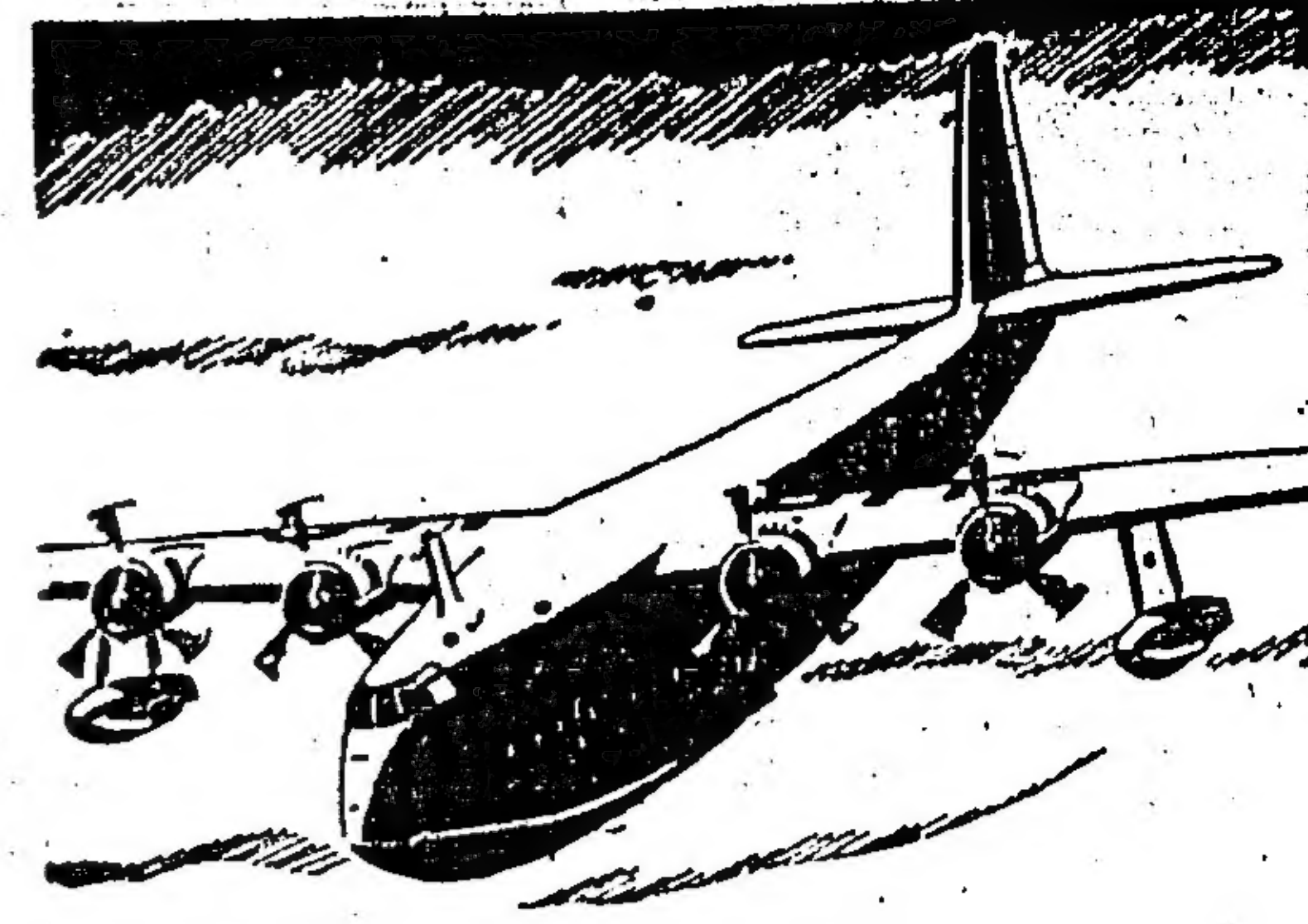
And they have seen her walk down the faded magnificence of the staircase of the old house next door which belongs to the theatre, and fade into a blank wall.

The Tower has as many as you would expect. For instance, the cone of blue and ghostly smoke which Edward Lenthal Swift, Keeper of the Crown Jewels from 1814 to 1852, saw in the Jewel House one night. His wife sat at table. He offered her a glass of wine.

As she put it to her lips the sudden spinning cone of smoke descended her arm. She shuddered, screamed: "Strike it down, it is choking me." Swift struck at it with a chair. It vanished.

Those are a few of the ghosts of London. There are dozens more. Two thousand years of enormous history, of militant men and dangerous women, have left some mark on the retina of time.

So perhaps John Neville Maskelyne, the Great Disbeliever, has come back.



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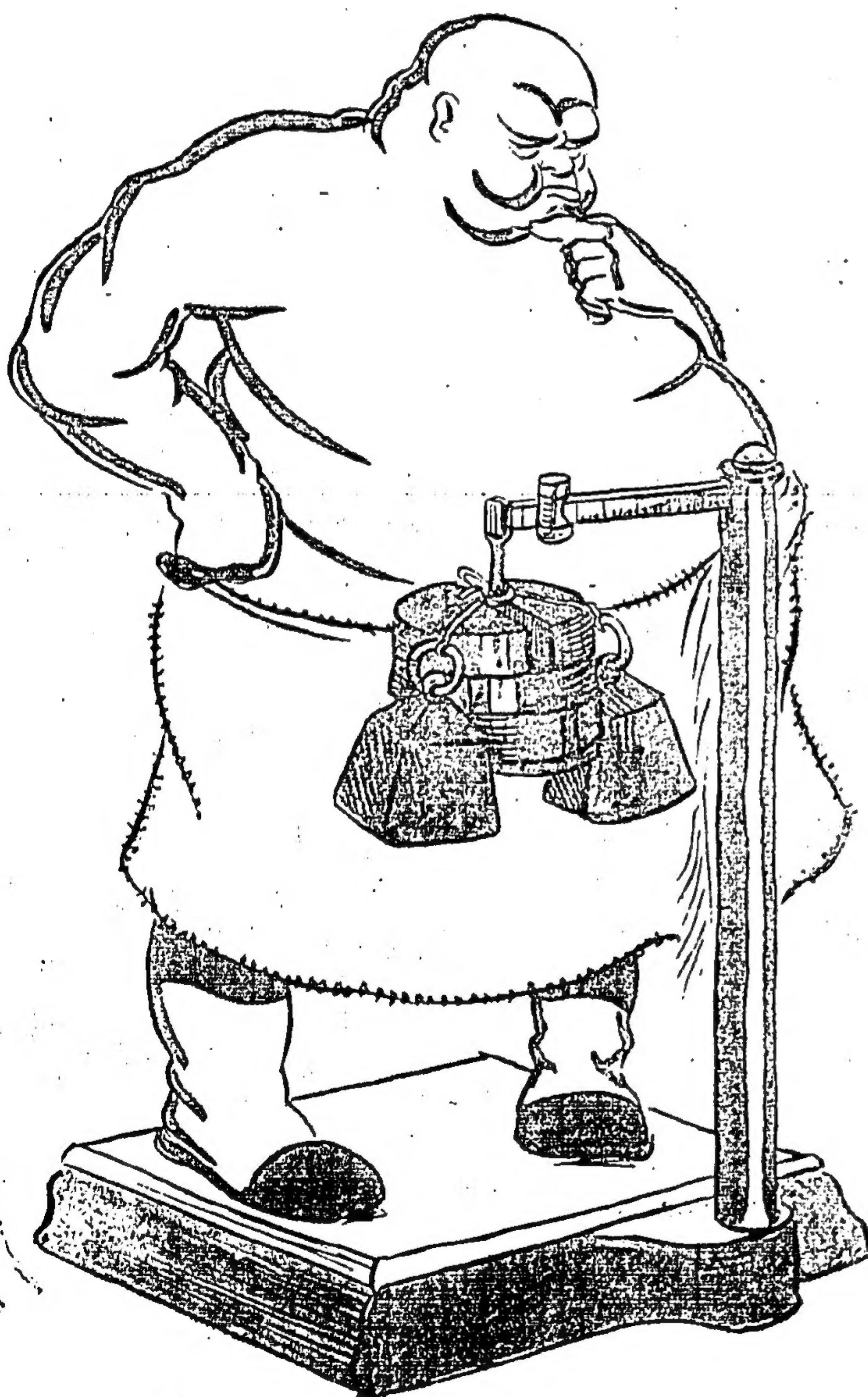
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Is what you put on the weighing machine when you have been living on the Bund for months without taking exercise and drinking Beer other than H.B.

COCKTAIL 'KINGS' HAVE A PARTY

SOME of the most revered of the West End's cocktail barmen—those slick dispensers in white coats, who know just what you need to put the world right with you—got together recently in the basement of a Soho club and played darts for a shield.

You might not have suspected that Ernest and George and all those men apparently without surnames could tear themselves away from their beloved blends. But they did, and they threw as pretty a dart as you could wish.

They were competing in the semi-final and the final of the United Kingdom Bartenders' Guild pairs tournament. Their arena was the Catering Employees Association's Club in Brewer-street, W.

WOMEN DOCTORS EQUAL OF MEN? Australian View

Melbourne.

Victorian medical opinion is that properly qualified women should always be considered equal with men for any medical position.

The statement was made in medical circles recently, in reply to remarks in the Western Australian Legislative Assembly by the Leader of the Opposition (Mr. C. G. Latham) and Mr. H. S. Raphael (Lab.), who criticised the Government's selection of a woman as medical officer of the State Insurance Office.

These critics said men would not have confidence in a woman doctor and that most of the cases she would deal with would be those of men.

SEX NO BAR

One leader of medical thought said that sex was not regarded as an obstacle to selection. In this State were Dr. Ellen Fitzgerald, Chief Medical Officer of the Education Department, Dr. Hilda Bull at the Town Hall, as medical officer for the infectious diseases, Dr. Hilda Kin-kaid, Chief Welfare Officer, and Dr. Vera Scantlebury as medical officer at the Health Department.

Dr. Dale, City Health Officer, said that although physically they were weaker than men, women doctors certainly were not weaker mentally. It might be true that a certain number of men would not have confidence in a woman doctor, but they were quite wrong. The average woman doctor was at least as good as, if not better than, the average man.

Incompatibility —By a Judge

"INCOMPATIBILITY of temperament is a lively phrase invented by a Victorian novelist, but it does not mean anything at all."

This explanation was given by Mr. Justice Langton in the Divorce Court recently when a husband attributed differences between himself and his wife to it.



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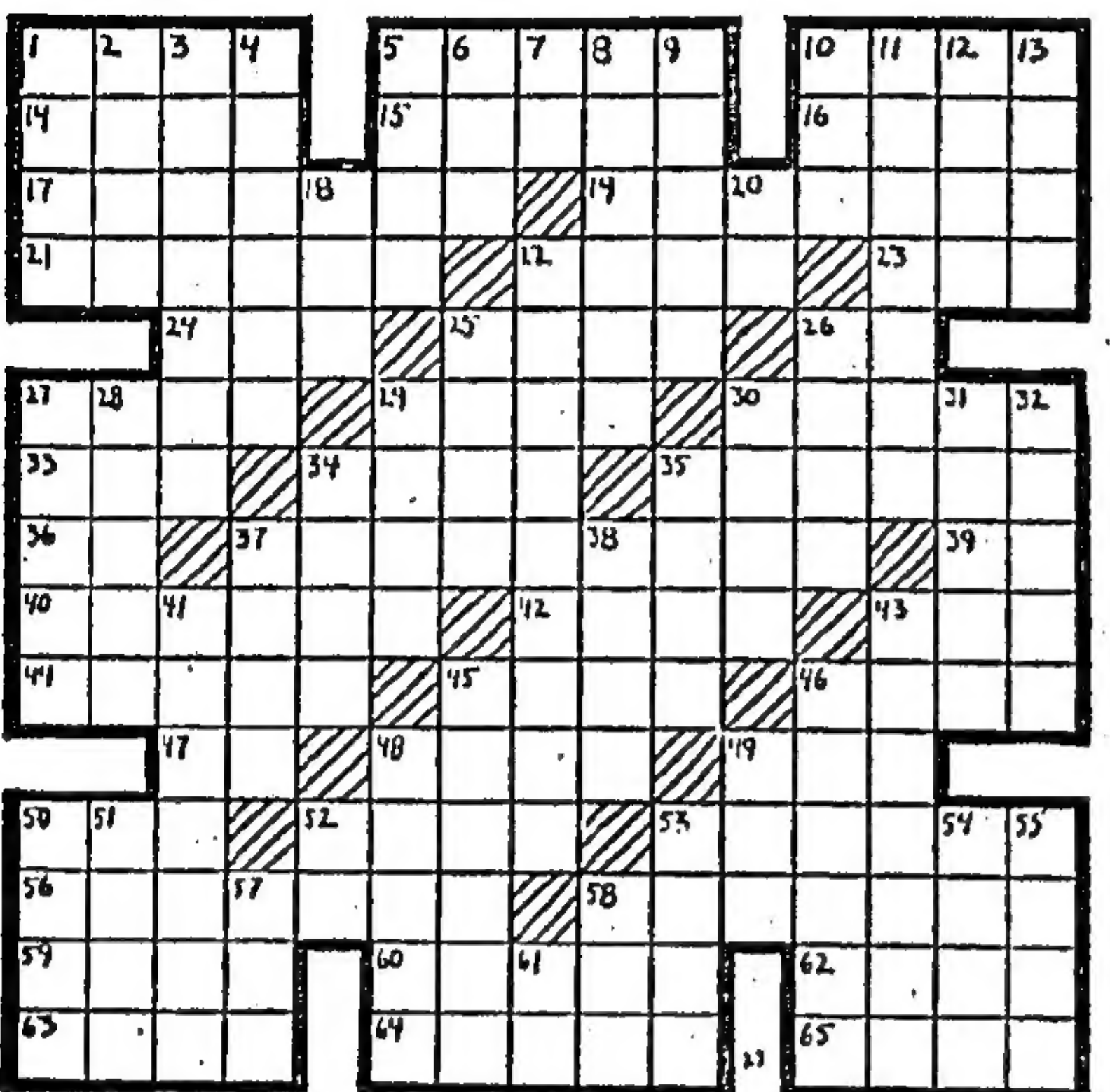
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ACROSS

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2—Time
3—Duration of birds
4—Inches over again
5—Worshiped image
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7—From the market
8—Food
9—Simple
10—With maiden name
11—River in England
12—Animal (familiar)
13—Exclamation
14—Quint in New York
15—Am not able to
16—Long Mohammedan shirt
17—Enclaved tribe
18—Antisocial explorer
19—Containing his unit
20—Letter of apostrophe
21—Unpleasant smell
22—Am sorry
23—Between ropes and lower rim
24—Male voice
25—Palace
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SHE WAS MODEL WIFE OF HER VILLAGE

But a Pickpocket In the West End

ALL the villagers of Wickford (Essex) respected Mrs. May White, 40-year-old, rosy-cheeked mother of three children.

They respected her because they knew she was a hard-working, capable wife and mother.

Elsewhere—in London's West End, of all places—a different opinion of her was held.



R.A.F. Man Carried Ring On Record Trip

Melbourne.

The only cargo carried by No. 2 of the three R.A.F. Vickers Wellesley bombers which broke the non-stop long-distance record recently was a diamond engagement ring.

The ring was in the pocket of Flight-Sergeant T. D. Dixon, and it was for the hand of Miss Edna Schweitzer, a Queensland girl, who met the planes at Sydney.

Their romance began three years ago. They met on board ship when Flight-Sergeant Dixon was on his way to England from Egypt.

When he stepped from the bomber at Sydney he put the ring on Miss Schweitzer's finger and announced their engagement.

The No. 2 bomber in which Flight-Sergeant Dixon flew was forced down at Koepang, in the Island of Timor, after covering about 6,700 miles. It beat the old record by 300 miles.

Tears moistened the healthy glow of her cheeks as she stood in the dock at Marylebone police court recently and heard recounted the story of her Jekyll and Hyde existence.

"At Wickford," said a police officer in the witness-box, "she is known for her devotion to her three children, aged 10 years, six years and three months."

"The local police describe her as a hard-working, capable wife and mother."

"Her husband is a builder's labourer."

"In the West End," went on the voice from the witness-box, "the London police know her as a persistent pickpocket operating there."

"She has five previous convictions for larceny from persons and six others for being a suspected person found loitering."

"Her last conviction was for stealing a notecase from a person in October, 1936. She was sent to prison for six months and released in August last year."

Other evidence showed that, as a result of numerous complaints, two Scotland Yard officers, Detective-Inspector Dance and Detective-Sergeant Veasey, were on special watch in a police car in Oxford Street.

They saw Mrs. White at bus stopping places, saw her put her hand into the handbags of two women. When she was searched a notecase was found in the lining of her fur coat. She said it was hers.

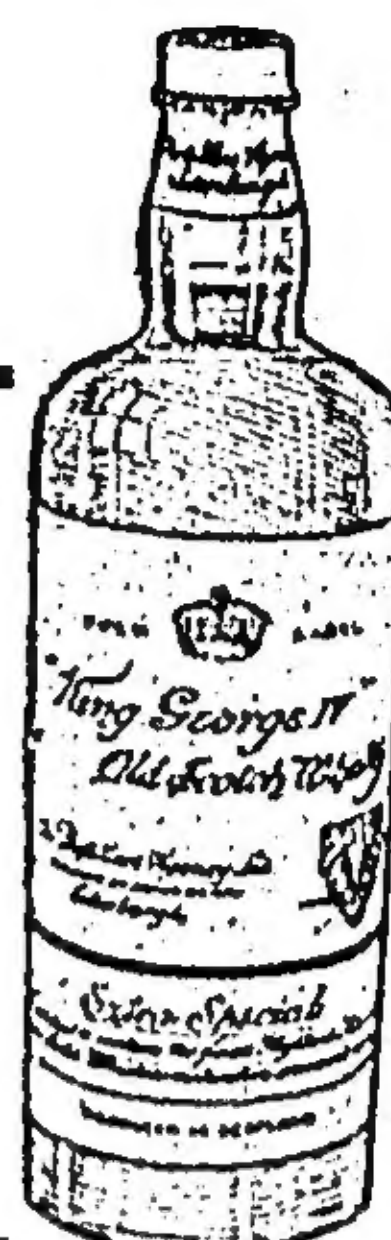
Dora Culva, 18, called the most beautiful girl in Cuba, as she arrived in New York for a visit to the metropolis. She recently was the winner of Cuba's national beauty contest and the trip to New York was part of the compensatory prize.

Mrs. White pleaded for a chance. She sobbed while her husband added his plea. He said that apart from this visit to London to see her mother she had not left the Wickford district for the past 12 months.

The magistrate said he was sorry for Mr. White, but— Sentence was nine months.

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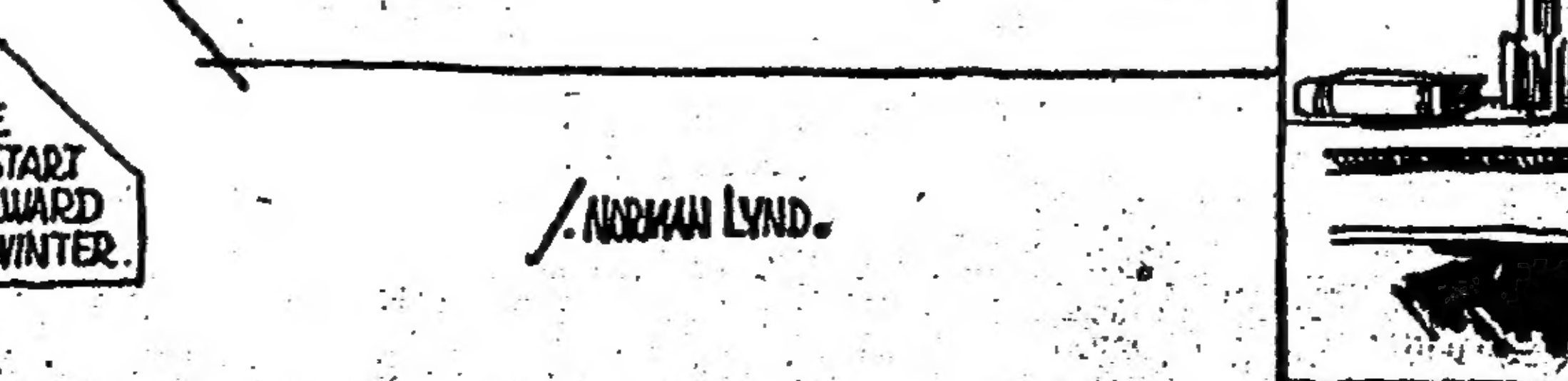
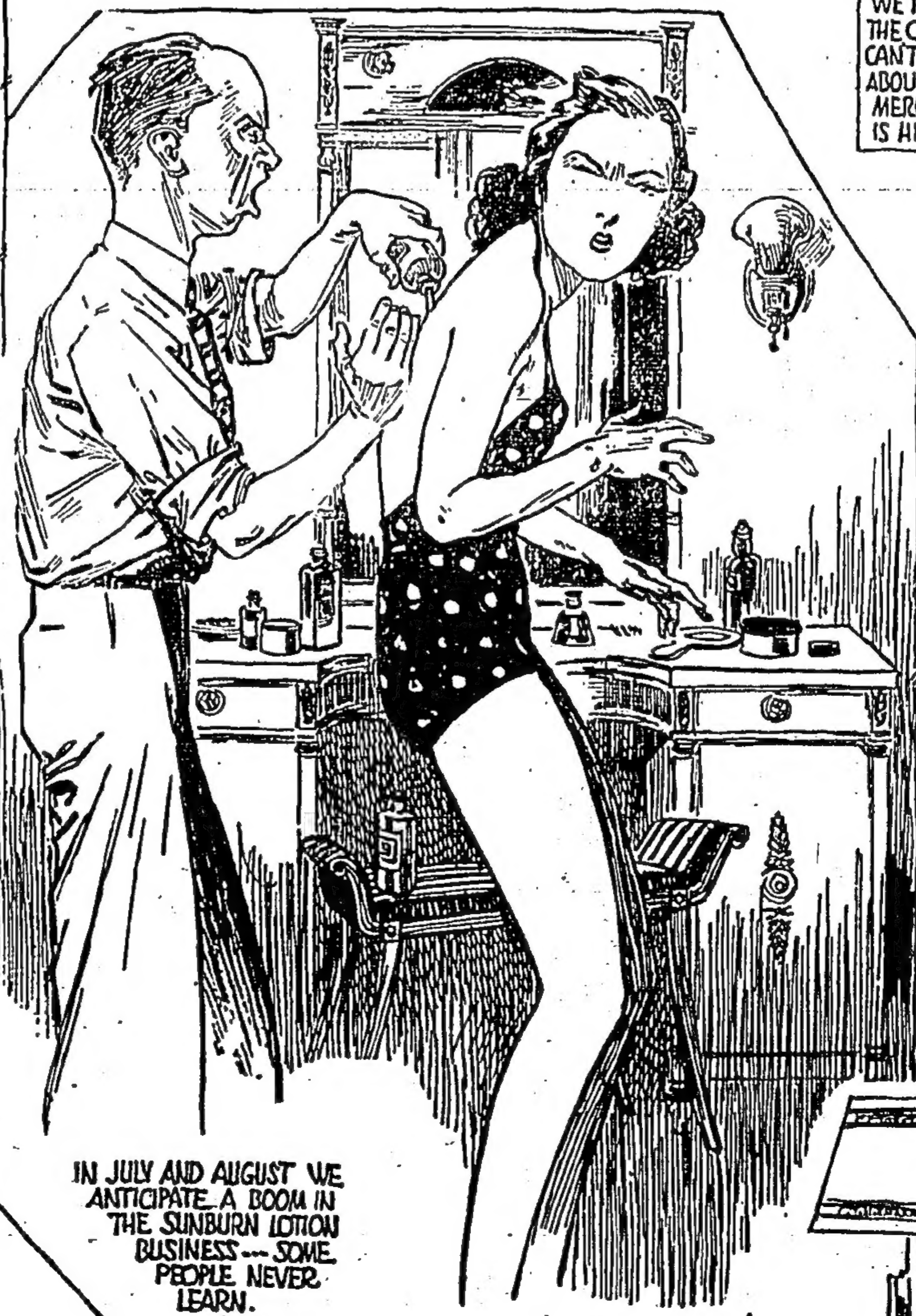
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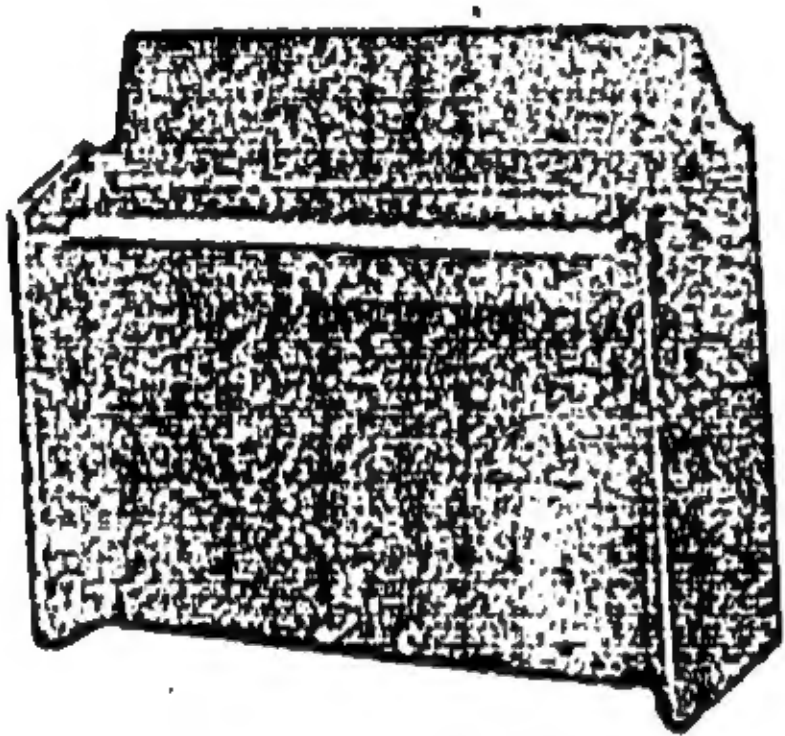


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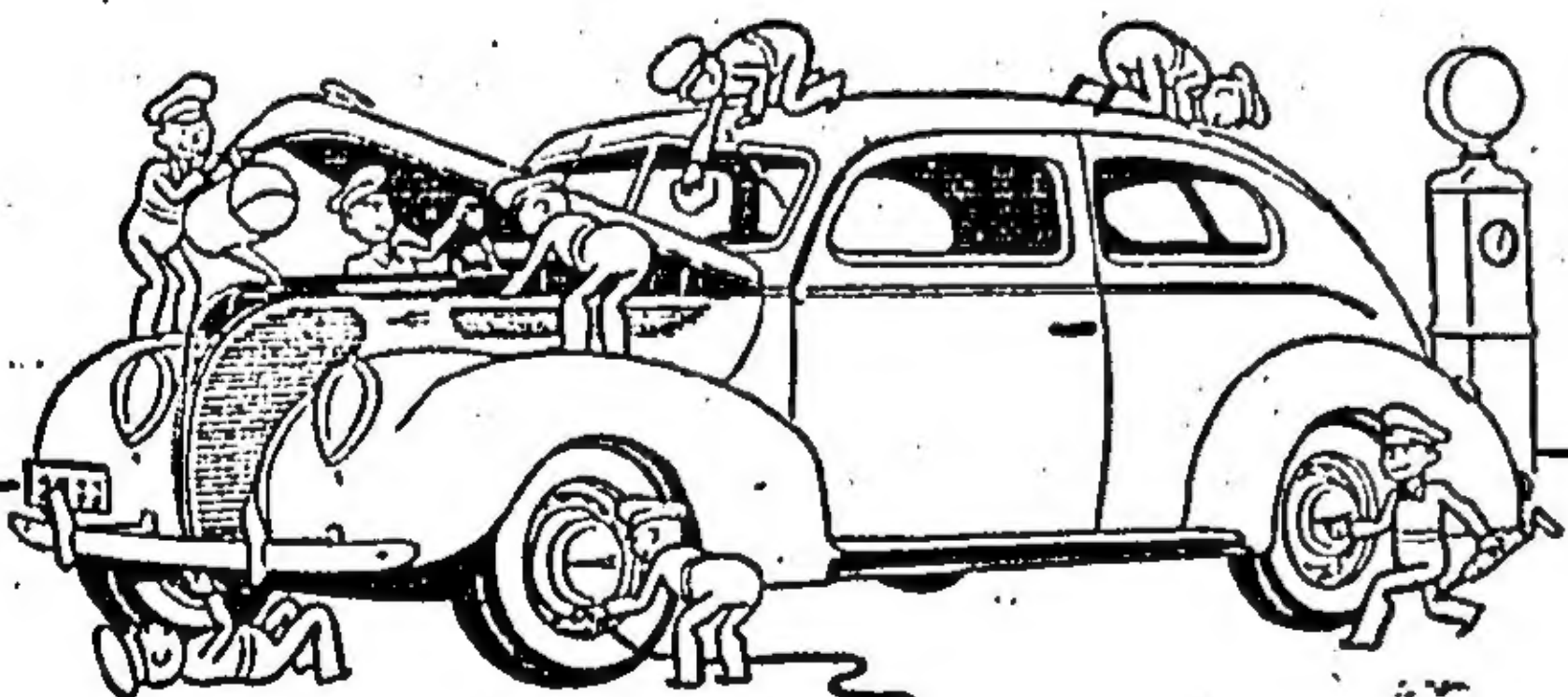
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Indifference

TWO BRITISH SHIPS engaged in legitimate trade with Spain are bombed and sunk in as many days.

So frequent have these incidents become that we take these bombings now as a matter of course. Attacks on merchantmen cease to be news.

Bombing of British ships in Spanish waters is a reason why Franco should not, under any circumstances, be granted belligerent rights. They would simply mean that he could extend his operations against British ships to the High Seas.

The Old and the New

NOW COMES the annual sorting out of friends. Telephone numbers and addresses are being transferred from the old diary into the new one for 1939.

It is a laborious business that often results in an evening of reminiscence.

Some of those numbers so frequently referred to at the beginning of the year are now no longer of any use and are left out of the 1939 list.

Those at the bottom of 1938's list are certain to go into next year's.

And the old diary? Those who are sentimental will tuck it away in a drawer with its forerunners of other years.

Those for whom a diary is merely a convenience will, if discreet, destroy it.

A Happy New Year

AND NOW for the New Year. New resolutions to make, new hopes that, we trust, will not be shattered.

We are going to be optimistic about 1939. We believe that peace is coming soon to our unhappy neighbour, that Europe is on the verge of brighter days, that Hongkong will be able to return to normal and get down to business.

In fact, we believe in talking and acting optimistically about 1939. The signs may not augur well, but ignore them. If everyone does the same, it will be a happier year than 1938.

Convinced that 1939, which leaves the womb of the future in a few hours to begin its journey to the grave of the past, will be a year in which pessimists will be confounded, the "Hongkong Telegraph" wishes you all a happy New Year.

LOOKING BACK ON THE FUTURE

The
Editor

would like, a year
hence, to

write
this
review of
1939.

It was a grand year for everybody except: warmongers, pessimists, the man who foretold the end of the world for July 8, 1939.

The best thing about 1939 was PEACE—peace in China, peace in Europe.

As a result, there was more money to spend on the things in life that really count. Instead of a \$10,000,000 battleship, Britain bought ten \$1,000,000 hospitals.

Peace in China ended distress in the Far East—the refugees vanished, back to their farms and their beloved soil.

Poverty was not so evident this Christmas. There were not those haunting eyes of destitute women and children, of starving people who sought sanctuary in our Colony as guns roared and bombs dropped on their homes in China.

A Promise Carried Out

(It has been a grand year. My wife and I are gloriously happy in our new flat; the baby took his first steps yesterday—It's good to be alive!)

All children somehow look happier this year-end. The Chinese youngsters at last have their King George V memorial playgrounds, and the Government has promised to find others for them.

The work of tackling Hongkong's slums is also well in hand. There's still lots of work to be done in Wanchai and the thickly packed central areas, but the good work is in full swing.

Fresh air is smashing the terrible mortality rate in tuberculosis.

Our streets, too, are cleaner, our traffic well-ordered. The Anti-Spitting campaign in June and the Safety First campaign in September have saved countless lives.

Dr. Selwyn Clarke actually smiles. The Government has found money for his clinics, his new wards and his campaigns for health.

His campaigns for inoculation and vaccination have broken the scourge of small-pox and cholera. The Colony has been singularly free of contagious diseases.

(I've just been doing a little mental arithmetic. We should be able to afford a new car in April!)

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Hongkong has become a much brighter city. Those absurd regulations have been swept away, the petty pin-pricks have been abolished and this Colony is beginning to get a name among tourists as the live-wire centre in the Orient. There is some variety in Neon lighting since the Government abandoned the regulation that prohibits the modern flashing type—until this year we were actually the only city in the Far East (probably in the world) that forbade flashing electrical devices.

Sport Comes Into Its Own

Government has recognised Sport as vital to the health of a community, and since early in the year has encouraged more and more people to come down from the grand stands into the arenas. Athletics have been encouraged, especially among school-children and the Chinese. (I have developed my physique to such perfection that I am known as "The Tarzan of the Telegraph".)

Hongkong has experienced a boom year. The re-opening of the Pearl River, rail communication right through to Calais, and new highways linking us with Kwangsi, Yunnan, Kweichow,

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distant centres in China suburbs
of Hongkong. Airways have
proved much more popular in
1939 with the big reductions in
fares.

Democracy

Comes To Hongkong

Government has considerably lessened the work of the traffic police by the new regulations which prevent jay-walking, and those which force cyclists to keep to the left hand side of the road.

The new road to Clearwater Bay has proved a boon. Hundreds of summer houses are under construction on the beautiful hills in this healthy area. The new road from Shing Mun Valley has also opened up an entirely new area to the people.

In three months' time, Hongkong will have a democratic form of Government. The unofficial members will be elected on a rate-payers franchise—Municipal Government is just around the corner.

The Report last March by the Taxation Commission, which was asked to recommend new forms of taxation, has been pigeon-holed. New taxation proved unnecessary.

There has been a noticeable improvement in the type of entertainment offered at cinema houses.

ZBW provided excellent programmes all the year round—well-balanced, meaty entertainment that made you want to sit at home beside your fire instead of wandering out to the club or hotels.

The women finally abandoned those ridiculous hats they used to wear in 1938.

3 Years For Chloroform Attack On Matron

A CHLOROFORM attack on the assistant matron of Halifax Royal Infirmary while she lay in bed was described at Leeds Assizes recently.

Herbert Reginald Sharp (31), warehouseman, of Paradise Street, Halifax, was sentenced to three years' penal servitude for attempting to murder her by administering poison and by strangulation, to 18 months' hard labour for robbery with violence and to three months for housebreaking—the sentences to run concurrently.

LIFE SAVED BY OXYGEN

Mr. Ralph Cleworth, prosecuting, said Miss Emily Kinch, the assistant matron, woke up and saw a dark form near her bed. He jumped on to the bed, put one hand over her mouth and with the other gripped her throat.

She probably owed her life to the fact that she was able to put up any struggle at all.

But for the fact that she received immediate attention and was given oxygen, it was practically certain that she would have died.

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Recent Hongkong Events Illustrated



PRIZE-GIVING. Mrs. R. M. Henderson is seen above presenting the Championship Cup to Mr. J. Deakin at the Hongkong Civil Service Club recently.—
Ming Yuen.



FAREWELL PARTY. Mr. F. D. Tracy, manager of the Standard-Vacuum Oil Company, and Mrs. Tracy with members of the staff and friends at a recent farewell party held at the American Club.—
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CHRISTMAS PARTY. Group photograph taken recently at a party given by Mr. and Mrs. M. Beraha, at their residence, No. 287 Prince Edward Road, for their daughter, Perlita.—
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SCHOOL STAFF. The staff of the Central British School and the Headmaster, Mr. W. L. Handyside, photographed recently.—
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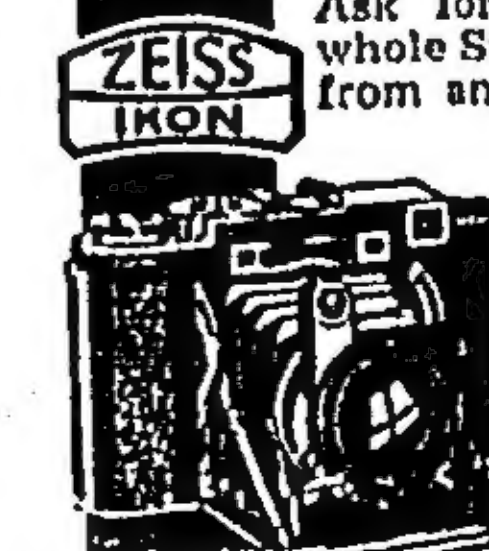
BRIDAL PARTY. Mr. A. W. White and his bride, the former Miss Winifred A. Tyrrell, photographed with friends after their recent marriage.—
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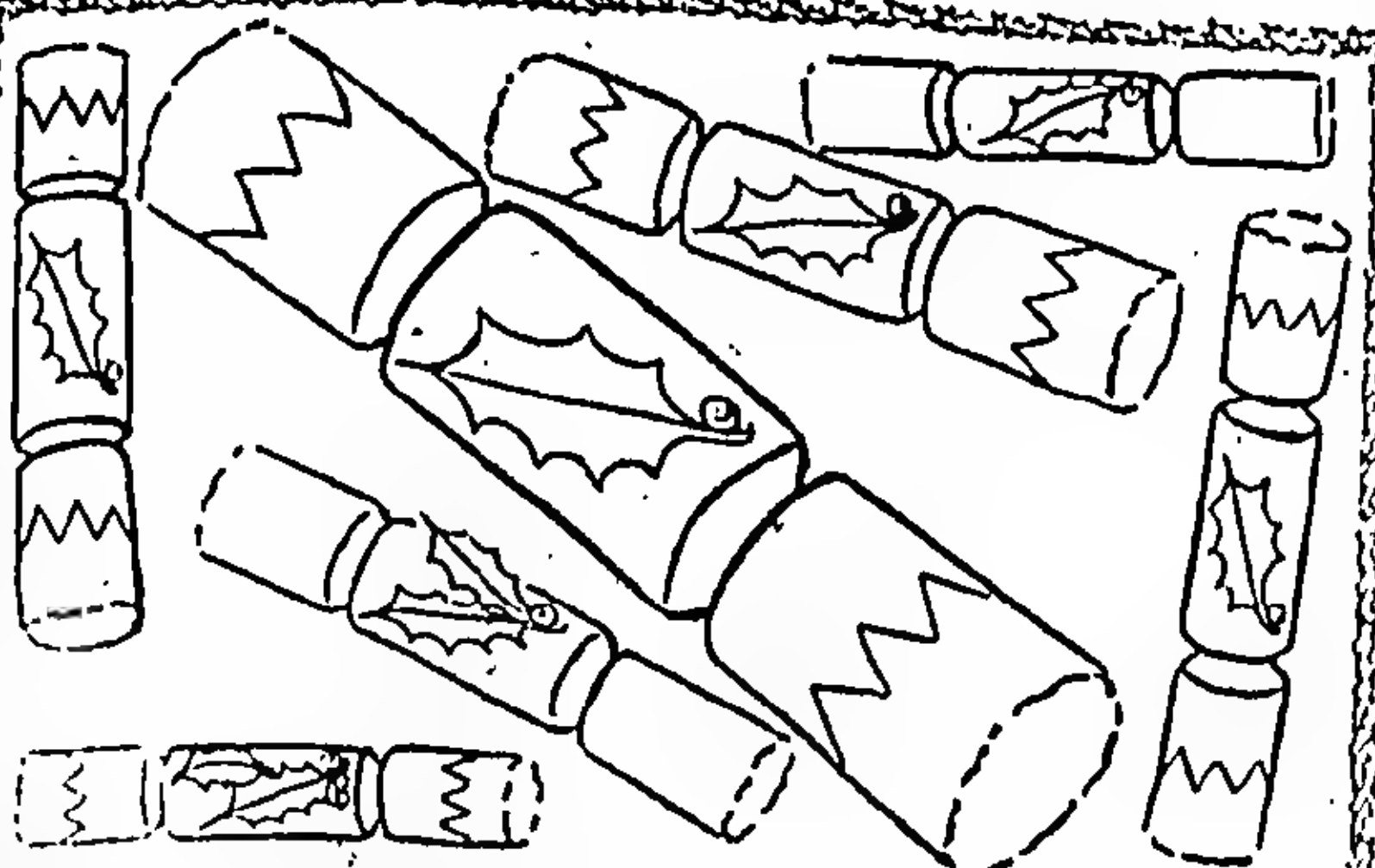
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Dear Reddy:

The Pantomime puzzle proved a little too difficult for some of you. The characters were Red Riding Hood, Dick Whittington, Puss-in-Boots, Cinderella and Aladdin, and the hidden people were the poodle, the cat, king, prince and magician.

The prize winners this week are:—
Ho Shuk-chun (aged 14), 110, Robinson Road.

David Ashe (aged 7), St. Stephen's College, Stanley.

Judy Price (aged 6), Cathay Hotel, 810, King's Road.

Coupons are being sent to Ho Shuk-chun, David and Judy which I want them to bring to the "Hongkong

LIVES SAVED BY PRISONERS

THREE close relatives of men serving sentences in Lewis Prison were taken ill and reported by the hospital authorities as likely to die.

They recovered after the prisoners had been allowed to visit them.

In each case the recovery was attributed at the hospital to the prisoner's visit.

This is told by the Governor of Lewis Prison in the report of the Prison Commissioners.

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Specially commended for excellent work are the following:—

Seniors: Mary Grace Ashe, Olga Julebin, Paul Vessocna, George Hudson, Percy Gardner, Ho Man-chun.

Intermediates: Teresa Marcal, Anthony Cuthbert, Wahid Mohal.

Juniors: Roy and Sylvia Remedios.

I want to thank Stella dos Ramos, Young Kit-wa and S. S. Bax for their cards and greetings.

Stella dos Ramos: Unfortunately, as you are too old for these competitions your entry had to be left out.

This week, kiddies, we are having a simple colouring competition. Examine carefully the picture above and colour only the crackers, whether large or small, which are exactly alike in design. Leave the others white and untouched. You may use any colours and design you wish, but remember that only the crackers which are alike, except for size, are to be finished.

Fill in the name, age and address coupon and send your entry to Uncle Eddie, c/o "Hongkong Telegraph", Wyndham Street, before 2 p.m. on Wednesday. Three prizes will again be awarded.

Uncle Eddie

Books edited by ROGER PIPPETT

Margaret knocks the gentry

AN American has been among us taking notes, and, faith, she's printed them, in *With Malice Toward Some*, by Margaret Halsey (Hamish Hamilton, 7s. 6d.). Her book will make a good many English people as mad as hatters. But it has lightened these days for me.

The author is the wife of a young lecturer who spent a year over here on an exchange professorship. Most of the time they lived in a village near Exeter, though they got about the country quite a lot and enjoyed two short holidays abroad.

When Mrs. Halsey got down to the West, she found her feet—and her pen. She liked the formality, which "have not only an air of having pushed their way up through the ground, but also of being quite ready to push their way back down again." And she liked the foaming gardens. But the Gentry!

She was staggered at the table-talk of the Gentry. "Listening to Britons dining out is like watching people play first-class tennis with imaginary balls." And most of the women she met seemed to have exhausted their strength in the "debilitating effort to be English Ladies."

But the phenomenon that enraged Mrs. Halsey most was the English Gentleman.

"Englishmen, from what I can see, do not talk to women if they can possibly avoid it—and, if they must talk to them, they keep the conversation inexorably down to their level of feminine understanding. And Englishwomen—even the brainy ones, apparently—meekly concur."

Whatever the rest of the world thinks of the English gentleman, the English lady regards him apprehensively as something between God and a goat, and equally formidable on both scores.

Fortunately for the author's sanity, however, there are plenty of Ordinary Men and Women still about. The Ungentry, she christened them. People who plough the fields and scatter. People who work hard to keep the Gentry upright in a boring world. People like Phyllis, who was Mrs. Halsey's cook and house-keeper and general guardian angel.

"Phyllis cooks so well that sometimes it is hard to believe we are living in England," Phyllis, in fact, was a paragon. In her blushing, innocent way, I fancy she opened Mrs. Halsey's eyes to the true nature of our country-side. So that our American is soon saying pertinent things about the double standards of the hunters and the workers, the rich and the poor.

Yes, Phyllis saved the day. Mrs. Halsey settled down cozily and began to enjoy herself. Stirring her third cup of tea one wintry afternoon, she even admitted to her diary that though a good deal in England might make her blood boil, "there is not nearly so much occasion as there is in America for blood to run cold."

With *Malice Toward Some* is as witty and as tonic a performance as any visitor has staged for us for years. It has its rare lapses (the Gentry can thank their hunting crops that Mrs. Halsey is only human, after all). But it blows through our rural landscape like an awakening wind.

The book closes with a tremendous tribute to Phyllis and her kind. "Gentlemen, I give you the English Ungentry. The next time we come to this country, I hope Henry will get an exchange with a plumber."

And so do I.

R. P.

Are You Sure?

Answers

QUESTIONS ON PAGE TWO

- Public Trustee; Royal Botanic Gardens; Office of Works, Royal Fine Art Commission.
- 10,000.
- (a) Egypt, (b) India, (c) Holland.
- (a) Solway Firth and Tyne, (b) Clyde and Forth.
- Organisation of Democrats in New York.
- (a) 1, 3 and 4; (b) 2, 5 and 6.
- Napoleon.
- Superior, Huron, Michigan, Erie, Ontario.
- Bartolomeo Diaz.
- (a) Harry Lauder, (b) Lottie Collins, (c) Ellaline Terriss, (d) Gilmaldi, (e) Charles Coburn, (f) Albert Chevalier.
- 225.
- Ribbentrop.
- Queen Anne, Chippendale, Hepplewhite, Sheraton, Regency.
- (a) Rector, (b) President, (c) Provost, (d) Master, (e) Dean.
- Christian.
- Major.
- Maine, New Hampshire, Connecticut, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island.
- Conducts a post-mortem examination.
- Venice.
- Obadiah, Philémon.

INSPECTOR PLAYFAIR

(Solution)

Martin is the criminal, and the woman which gave him away is Guildford. Playfair realised that Martin would try to be on the spot with answers to incriminating words. Martin was expecting "Hilford" and, when he heard "Guildford," snapped out "Broadway" automatically before he could realise his mistake.

Puzzle Corner Answers

Cryptogram: Spray-dashed surf-board rider wins out-board motor-racer as popular modern water sport. Ten hidden fruits: Apple, plum, pear, peach, cherry, raspberry, strawberry, currant, damson. Letter Changing: Films, flea, pies, voice, pull, pools, poets, spots, pats, spars, stars. How Much? \$1000, \$1500. Are These Within Your Scope? Kaleidoscope—optical toy; thermoscope—temperature instrument; helioscope—for examining sun; hysteroscope—peeping in church wall; microscope—for magnifying; bioscope—motion picture machine; telescope—look up; baroscope—weather glass; kuniscope—for measuring dust; galvanoscope—for detecting electricity.

MYSTERY

ALMOST anything might come out of a story of three men in love with one woman. Make one an ex-detective who is twice a convict, another an ex-detective turned private inquiry agent and the third a professionally righteous solicitor—and put the woman in danger of the gallows and you got a line on E. Baker Quinn's *The Dead Harm No One* (Helmemann, 7s. 6d.).

How these men tried to bluff the law to the limit is told with the sort of compelling violence that suits the theme. A pity that bitter ending had to be sweetened. All the same, a book you will remember more than most of its kind.

The Fatal Holiday (Longmans, 7s. 6d.), Belton Cobb's latest, is well told, credible and ingenious. But it has a fatal defect for those who like to see their murderer safely into the dock or out of the world. From one point of view there is in fact no murderer, though from another—But read it and see.

The obvious person to produce Death from a Top Hat (Collins, 7s. 6d.), is a magician—the modern, supernatural, music hall kind—and Olynth Rawson makes it so. Pay no attention to the patter and you may spot Mr. Rawson palming the murderer. Or you may not.

Neal Shepherd has hit on a new method of doing to death in *Death Files Low* (Constable, 7s. 6d.). The story is all about an aeroplane factory, and is full of neatly dovetailed technicalities.

As for E. L. Mann, his *The Chislehurst Mystery* (Eyre and Spottiswoode, 7s. 6d.) starts with digging in the back garden and ends in pursuing treasure under England by the aid of prehistoric landmarks. He challenges you to go and do something similar. F. E. H.

Third Time Lucky

VERA BRITAIN, who struck a very good thing when she decided to write her autobiography for us—it was *Testament of Youth*—now gives us "new chapters of autobiography" in *Thrills: A Stranger* (Gollancz, 10s. 6d.).

These chapters are as racy, entertaining and honest as the earlier ones. She tells us of her early struggles, her marriage and of three visits to America.

Miss Britain is a great humanist. She thinks of everything in terms of people. She spent two years in America altogether and visited thirty out of the forty-eight states. She first lived in the United States between 1925 and 1927, "when the era of golden awe—seemingly destined to endure for ever. I returned in 1934 to find long shadows of the great depression still lying over the land."

"More recently, in 1937, I went back to discover a national temperature which, in spite of the 'business recession,' seemed closer to sane normality than the postwar affluence of the first part of the retrospective apprehension of the second."

"One day in the late October of last year, as I wandered round the vivid, sun-drenched Campus of a Junior College in Dallas, Texas, reflecting upon these contrasts, the summer warmth of the South-West stirred my northern blood to excitement and I almost shouted to the sulphur-hued butterflies flitting lightly above the geriatric cannaes, 'There's a book to all this!'"

There you have the reason for this volume. When you have read it, you will be glad Miss Britain had that walk on the Campus.

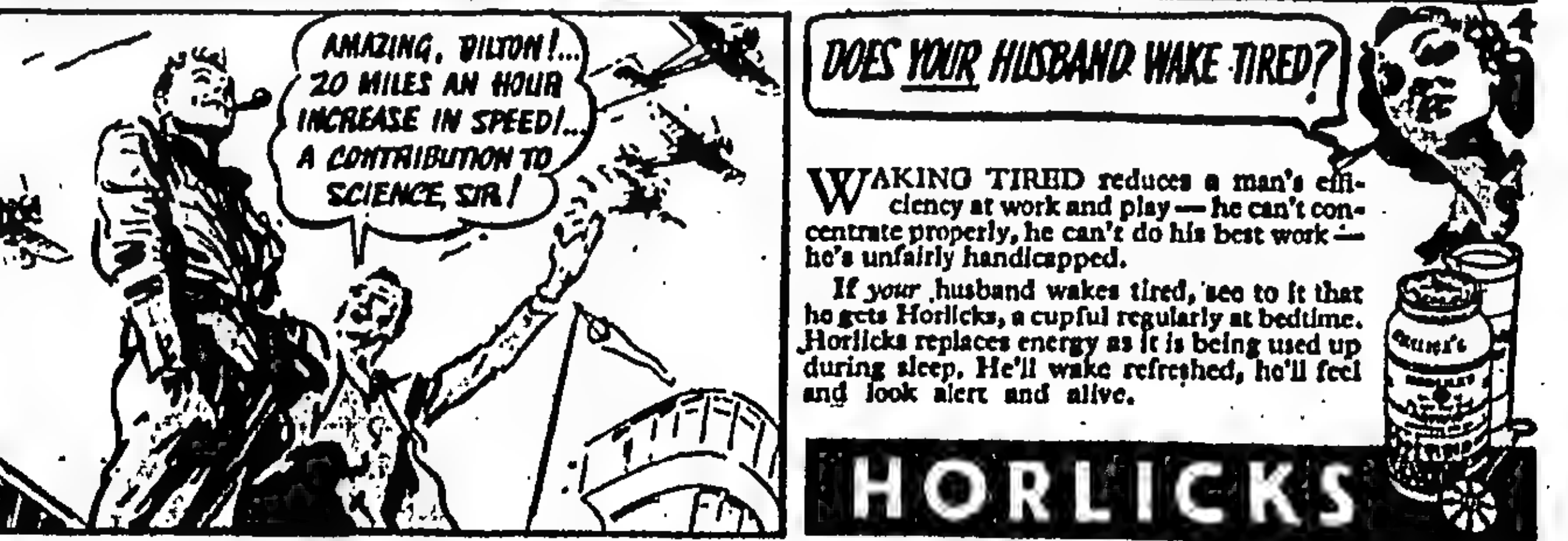
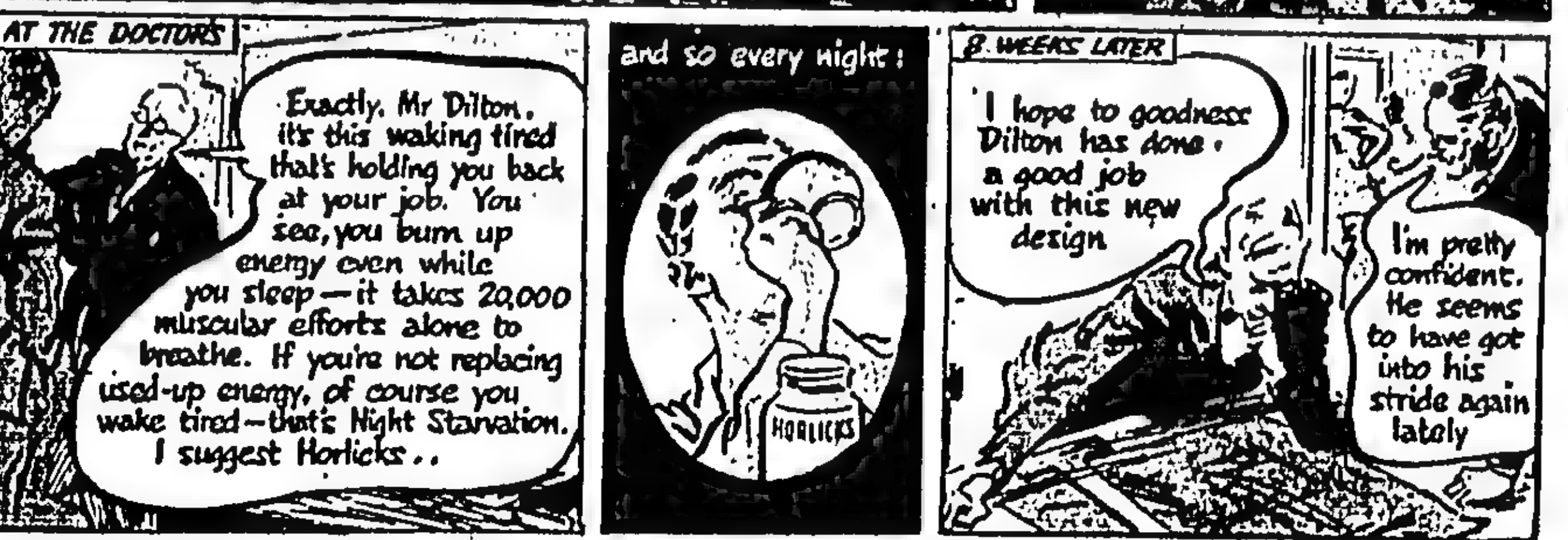
A gently moving, actively alive, woman's book. M. F.

Quick Thinking Costs City

Pasadena, Cal. Motorcycle Officer Fred Lunt had presence for mind, but the city will pay for it. When his motorcycle buck-fired and started to burn, he grabbed a rug off the nearest porch and extinguished the blaze. The rug was damaged, and now the owner insists it is up to the city to pay.



Chief Engineer Dillon, head of the research department of a large aeroplane factory, was the most valued man in the firm. But one day things began to go wrong...

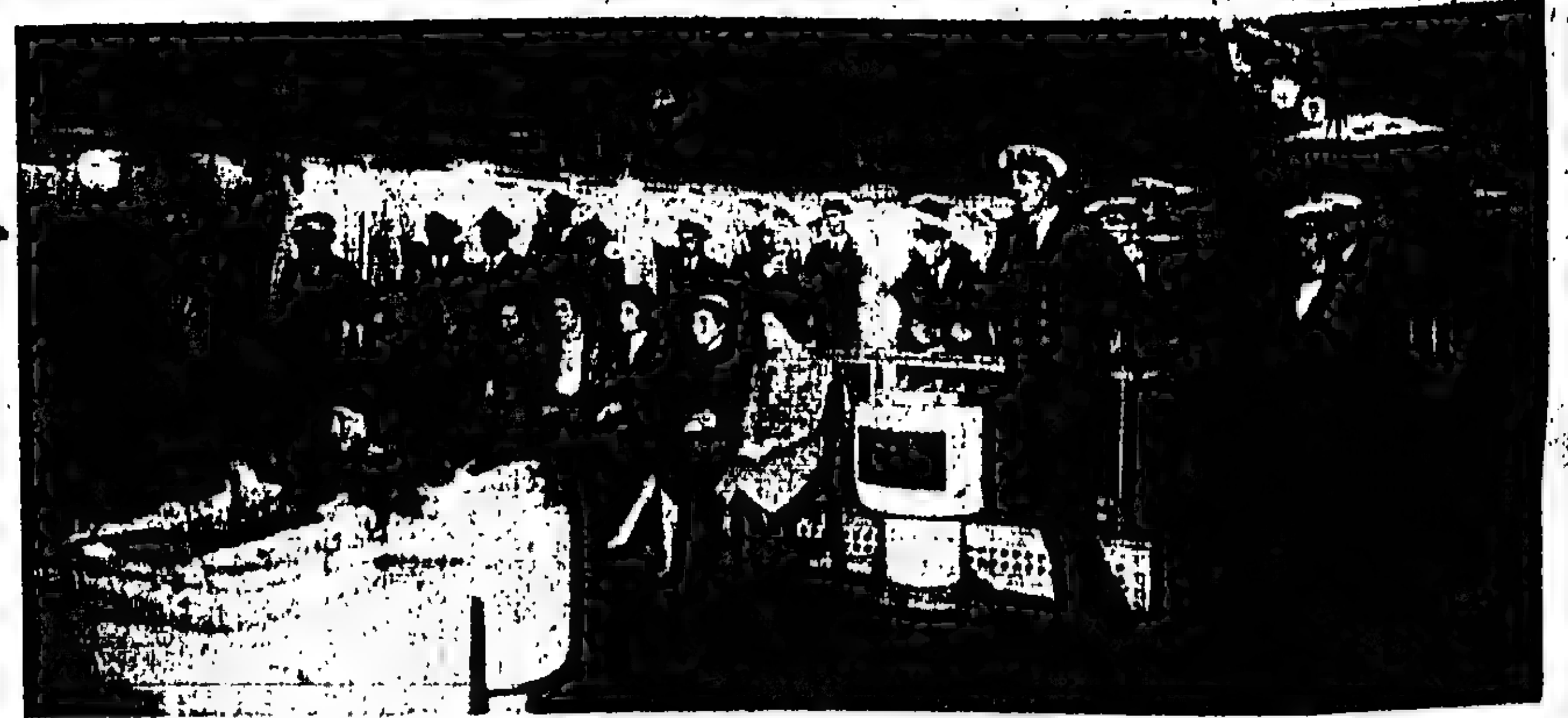
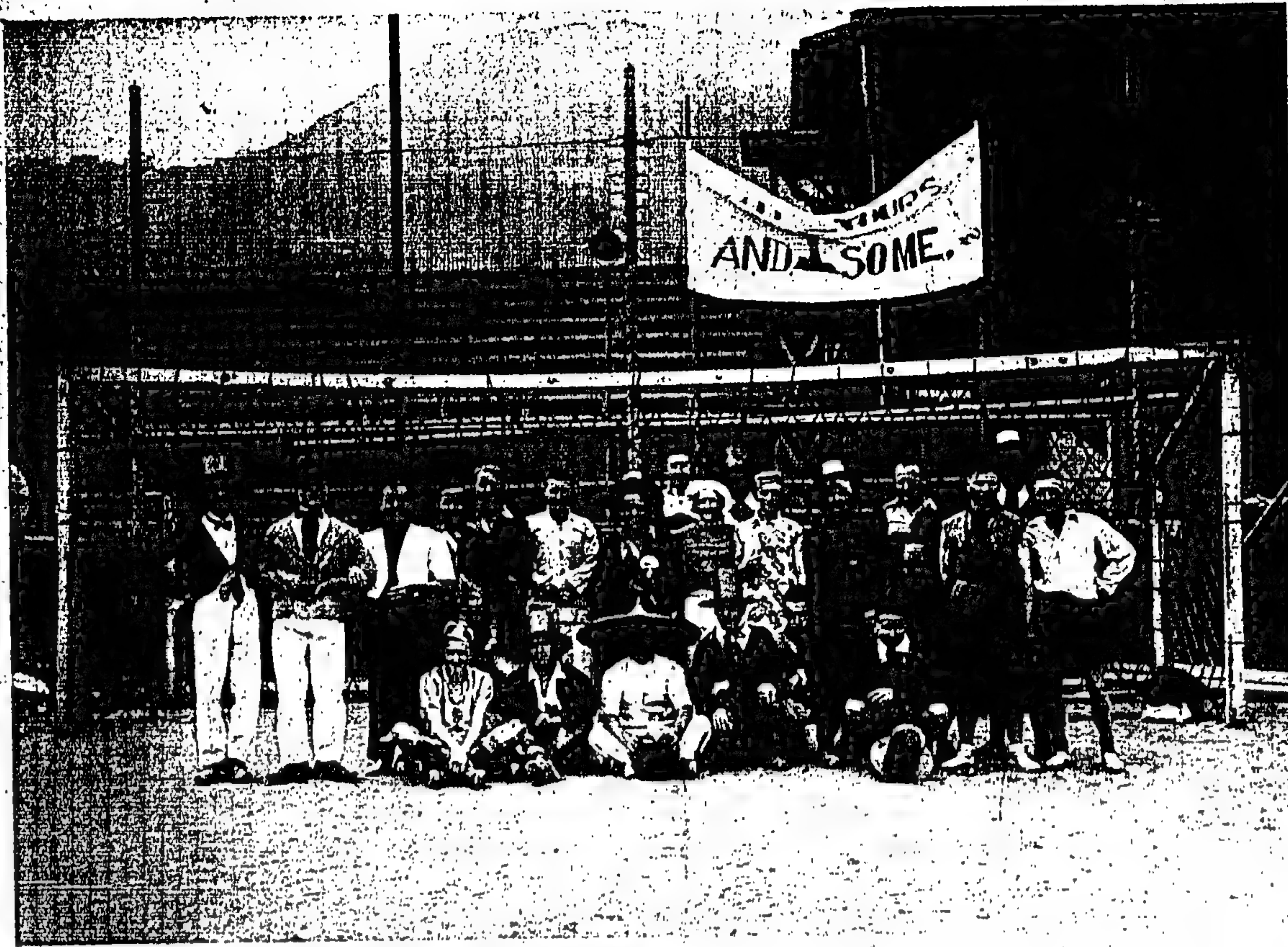


DOES YOUR HUSBAND WAKE TIRED?

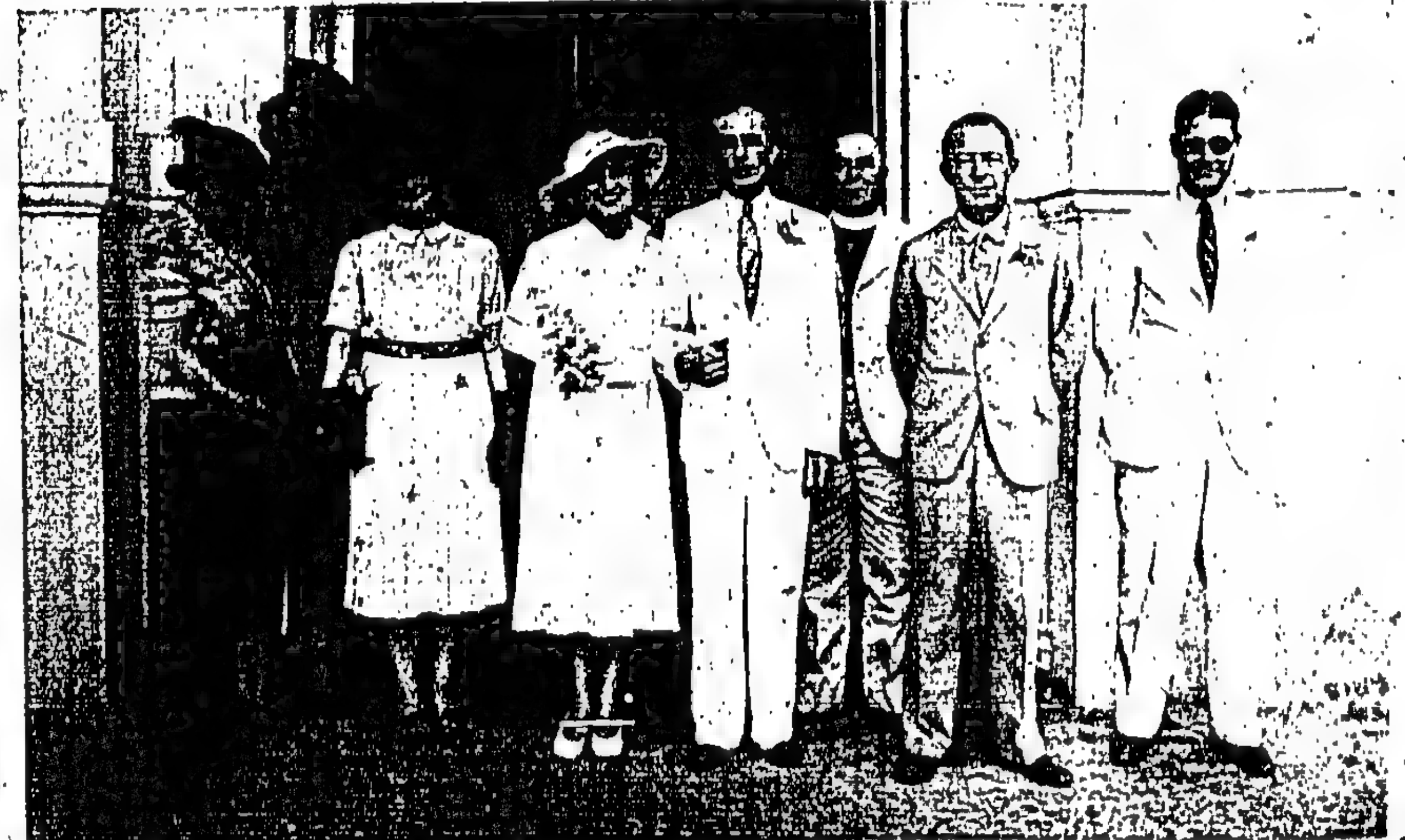
WAKING TIRED reduces a man's efficiency at work and play—he can't concentrate properly, he can't do his best work—he's unfairly handicapped. If your husband wakes tired, see to it that he gets Horlicks, a cupful regularly at bedtime. Horlicks replaces energy as it is being used up during sleep. He'll wake refreshed, he'll feel and look alert and alive.

HORLICKS

Local Christmas Festivities In Pictures



CHRISTMAS PARTY. A section of the guests at the Christmas party held recently aboard H.M.S. Birmingham.—Staff Photographer.



AFTER THE MATCH. Group photograph taken following the Christmas Day football match between the Petty Officers of H.M.S. Tamar and H.M.S. Herald.—A. Hing.



CHRISTMAS FUN. Father Christmas and two friends who entertained the children at a Christmas party on board H.M.S. Birmingham.—Staff Photographer.



CHRISTMAS TREE. This little baby receives her first present from a Christmas tree at the H.K. Civil Service party.—Ming Yuen.

SINGAPORE WEDDING. Mr. W. Ancurin Jones, Assistant Crown Solicitor in Hongkong, and his bride, Mrs. E. M. Wiley, who were married recently in Singapore. Included in the above group are Mrs. G. W. Senbridge, wife of the Editor of the Straits Times, Capt. Hussey, film censor in Singapore, Mrs. Geoffrey Franks, the Rev. Stephen Band, the Hon. Mr. Justice A. K. a Beckett Terrell and Mr. Munro.



NEWLY-WEDS. Mr. and Mrs. William Hewitt leaving St. John's Cathedral after their recent marriage. The bride was formerly Miss Margaret M. M. McLay.—Ming Yuen.



You may not know its name—but describe it as:—A hat that's got that modern "something" about it—style, snap and subtlety of shade—that wears well and won't cost a fortune.

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BIRTHDAY PARTY. Group photograph of friends of William John Sinclair, one-year-old son of Mrs. A. B. Sinclair, who gathered to celebrate his birthday.—Mee Cheung.

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AT WAS NEWS A CENTURY AGO

AT THE THRESHOLD of a new year, turn your eyes back to New Year's Day, 1839. It was a momentous year for Hongkong—the twelve months that began a century ago to-morrow.

What did world history scrawl over the pages of that New Year?

Here are some of the events of the twelve months beginning on January 1, 1839:

Hongkong and China.—Hongkong was still a Chinese island, inhabited by a few piratical fishermen.

But trouble was brewing—the trouble that was, a year later, to see this Colony ceded by China to Britain.

On March 10 Lin, the Chinese Imperial Commissioner in Canton, prohibited the importation of opium into China and seized British stocks. British and other residents were next day forbidden to leave Canton. British factories were pillaged and burnt on March 24.

Captain Elliot, who was to become Hongkong's first Administrator in the following year, led the British subjects from Canton to Macao on May 24.

HONGKONG CAPTURED

On August 23 Captain Elliot landed and captured Hongkong, at which is now called Possession Point. Our centenary dates, therefore, from this year, although the island did not become a British possession until 1841.

On the day after Elliot's landing in Hongkong, the British ship Black Joke was attacked by junks and the crew were murdered.

There was an affray, on September 4, between British sailors and Chinese soldiers at what is now Kowloon. On November 2, 28 Chinese armed junks gallantly attacked the British frigates H.M.S. Volage and Hyacinth. The Chinese were hopelessly outclassed by the "modern" British guns, and several junks were blown to pieces.

Nineteen days before Christmas Day, 1839, the Emperor of China issued an edict forbidding British subjects to enter trade with China again.

(Hongkong was ceded to Britain on January 20, 1842.)

RIOTS IN ENGLAND

At Home.—The year 1839 was notable at Home for Chartist riots—the movement for political reform in England. There were Chartist riots throughout the year in Wales and in England. The most serious were at Newport, where a Chartist mob, led by John Frost, started an uprising. The rebellion was a total failure and Frost and two others were sentenced, in December, to death. The sentence was commuted to transportation for life. Frost spent 14 years in Van Diemen's Land (later Tasmania) before he was pardoned and allowed to return to England.

The year 1839 opened at Home with a tragedy, when the naval cutter Diligence was wrecked in the Irish Channel on January 7 with the loss of 57 lives.

On May 2, the first immigrants left England in the ship Tory to found New Zealand, now a Dominion of nearly 2,000,000 inhabitants.

There were great celebrations on June 18 when the railway was opened from Newcastle to North Shields and from Newcastle to South Shields and Sunderland.

PHOTO EXPERIMENTS

A Frenchman, M. St. Croix gave the first public demonstration of photography to an amazed audience on September 13. Earlier in the

LETTERS

NEWS OR PROPAGANDA

To The Editor,
The Hongkong Telegraph.

Dear Sir,—To one who has returned to the Colony after an absence of 18 months, it is a matter of astonishment that so much space in the local papers is devoted to telegrams emanating from totalitarian sources.

What makes such news or propaganda particularly insidious is the inclusion of the name of the news service at the end of the telegram instead of at the beginning. This often leads to the item of news being read by the public without mental reservation, and as "Reuters" service is so inadequate, such items of news, even if incorrect or exaggerated, often pass unchallenged.

May I venture to suggest that you adopt the system prevalent in Europe and America of indicating the source of the news at the very beginning of the telegram. Your readers then would be made immediately aware of the source of the news and would tend to be more on their guard.

FELIX A. JOSEPH
The system prevalent in England is to indicate the source of news at the foot of an item. The Telegraph endeavours not to publish propaganda, and the majority of the messages from news sources with axes to grind find their way into the waste paper basket.

Answers to Correspondents
PHOEBE.—Phoebe to you. Your electric muffs cross your water mains.

J.M.D.—Search us. We don't know the answer ourselves. We put the problem to readers as one that has not yet been solved.

J.G.—We referred your letter to the Kowloon Motor Bus Company (without divulging your name). They inform us that they are enquiring into the matter and will take disciplinary action against the conductors to whom you refer.

New Year's Eve

Hotels And Clubs To
Have Special Dances

Festivities of the season will be continued to-night, in celebration of the coming of the New Year. In this connection, various attractions have been arranged to take place in the more prominent hotels and clubs of the Colony.

At the Hongkong Hotel, Repulse Bay, and Peninsula Hotels, special New Year's Eve dinner dances will be held, with the popular Kyr. Roby and Harry Trio and the Gripps Glamourettes as entertainers.

The Gloucester Hotel has also made preparations for patrons, and a special dinner and dance will commence at 8 p.m. with Landhoff and Corv. Sensational acrobatic dances together with Quenle and David and their Hawaiian Troupe as the main attractions.

Dancing in these hotels will be extended to 3 a.m. in order to allow merry-makers to enjoy in full their New Year's Eve celebrations.

The Parlatan Grill and Cafe Windsor have also arranged for a special dinner dance on New Year's Eve and New Year's night. The former place will have as their main attraction the Blue Danube Trio, whose music has been much appreciated by Hongkong dancers.

Dance-halls in the Colony are also prepared to cope with huge crowds of merry-makers, and their licences have been extended to 3 a.m.

The Craigflower Cricket Club will be holding its annual President's Dance. The I.R.C. held their New Year's fancy dress ball last night, while the K.C.C. will celebrate with a special fancy dress ball this evening.

All churches in Hongkong will be holding watchnight services, which will commence at 11 o'clock, ending at midnight.

Cinemas have arranged for a complete change of programme to-day, and will show what they consider the best for such an occasion.

Marking the New Year

The time signal given by means of lights at 9 p.m. from the Royal Observatory, will be repeated at midnight on December 31, the termination of the programme signifying the end of the year 1938.

Sports Items

In the field of sport, various games have been arranged to take place to-day. The Club will play the Navy in the Triangular Rugby Tournament at 4 p.m. at Happy Valley, and earlier in the afternoon, a game will be played between the Club "A" and the Army XV on the same ground.

In Kowloon, at King's Park, St. Andrew's will play against the Y.M.C.A. in a Brawn Cup hockey game at 2.45 p.m. At 3 o'clock a Fancy Dress hockey match will be played on the Y.M.C.A. ground.

Other games scheduled to take place to-day will be the Triangular Tourney Cricket match on the Hongkong Cricket Club ground, golf at Fanling, the final of the Army hockey at Sookunpo, the Sweepstake races for yachts, the Football League matches on various club grounds, and the Overseas Postal shooting contest at the Stonecutters range.

On New Year's Day, the annual children's sports of the Kowloon Cricket Club and the Police Recreation Club will be held. Past students will play against present students in a cricket match on the University ground at Pokfulam; and the second round of the Senior Shield will see South China play against Eastern at Caroline Hill at 4 p.m.

DANCE AT SOOKUNPOO

The Indian Recreation Club in Sookunpo opened its winter social season last night with a very enjoyable fancy dress dance which was attended by well over a hundred members and their guests.

In the course of the evening, prizes were given to those who displayed the most original fancy costumes, after which dancing continued, till the early hours of the morning.

At King's Park

Members of the European staff of the China Light and Power Company held a very enjoyable New Year's dance in the Clubhouse at King's Park last night.

The clubhouse was packed to capacity and the large number of guests who were invited thoroughly enjoyed the occasion which lasted until the early hours of the morning.

SANTA CLAUS AT SEA

Mr. E. Cock of Hongkong
Plays Part

Apparently coming down the funnel with the same facility as he traditionally comes down the chimney, Santa Claus paid the children aboard the C.P.S. liner Empress of Japan a visit on Christmas Day when he was about two hours out of Kobe. His red cloak and flowing beard concealed the popular person of Mr. E. Cock, head of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, who was returning from leave. Mr. Cock is accompanied by his wife.

Paum Court, the liner's dance hall, was the scene of the children's party, which took place at 5 p.m. The big Christmas tree which was its centrepiece still stands, and it was about the foot of this tree that the 32 children on board, from all sections of the ship, were assembled. They sang carols and had a blissful period as star guests of a festival that

DELLA BRINGS MAILS

Young Airman Arrives
From Australia

Carrying Australian mails and two passengers, the Imperial Airways plane Della, in the control of Captain C. R. Davis, arrived at 11.10 a.m. yesterday after a non-stop flight from Hanol. One of her passengers was Mr. J. Weston, who is here on leave to visit his father, Captain W. C. Weston, cargo surveyor, of 65 Kimberley Road, whom he had not seen for seven years.

Mr. Weston came from Australia where, as a flying cadet in the Royal Australian Air Force, he won his wings at Point Cook—the Australian Cranwell—this month. He can stay only two weeks in Hongkong, the flight here and back taking a big part of his leave. He must report at Richmond New South Wales, on January 21.

As a passenger from Australia to Singapore, Mr. Weston shared in an experience testifying to the safety of the Empire flying boats. When the flying boat was about 100 miles south of Batavia, first one starboard engine and then the other cut out.

However, the machine continued its journey untroubled, maintaining altitude on its two port engines and arriving safely at Batavia. Instead of departing from Batavia immediately according to practice, the plane was kept there for the night while the engines were attended to.

It was found that the plugs had been clogging up. Fortunately an Australian engineer, bound for Singapore, had joined the plane at Sourabaya, and under his supervision the engines were soon in good running order. Nevertheless, the flying boat was held at Singapore for further inspection while the passengers went on to Bangkok in another machine.

Mr. Hirasawa, from Bangkok, also arrived by the Della.

TO REPLACE DARDANUS

New Imperial Airways Plane
For Eastern Service

A new plane—possibly the Dido—is to be introduced into Imperial Airways' Hongkong-Bangkok service in place of the Dardanus.

The Dardanus, the Dido, and a third machine were brought from England at the time of the Christmas mail rush to cope with the extra mails between Bangkok and Hongkong and between Bangkok and Australia. When the Dardanus was destroyed by fire, the Dardanus replaced her.

Now two of the three planes are to return to England.

Yesterday morning's regular mail flight from Hongkong was taken by the Dardanus, no passengers being carried. The next outward service will leave on Tuesday morning.

Inward mails, from Australia, England, and other Empire countries, are expected to-morrow, when the Delphinus is due at 5 p.m.

COMING IN FEBRUARY

First Far Eastern Flight Of
Gigantic Clipper

Manila, Dec. 30.

It is understood that the 42-ton Pan-American Airways 74-passenger Clipper will make her first flight to the Far East some time in February.

Spare motors of the 1,500 horsepower type recently arrived at Cavite, where Pan-American employees are assembling a "dolly" with which to pull the flying boat from the water to the hangar—United Press.

AIR SERVICES

Arrivals and Departures

Outward

For London, Australia, British Countries and Europe: Imperial Airways 7 a.m. Jan. 3.

For Chungking, Sian, etc.: Eurasia and S.N.A.C. services indefinite.

For U.S.A., via Manila, Honolulu, Guam: Pan American Philippine Clipper 8.30 a.m. Jan. 2.

For France via Hanol: Air France, 6.30 a.m. December 31.

Inward

From London, Australia and British Countries: Imperial Airways 2 p.m. Dec. 30; Imperial Airways 5 p.m. Jan. 4.

From Chungking, Yunnanfu, Kweilin: C.N.A.C. Eurasia Services indefinite.

From U.S.A. via Honolulu, Guam, Manila: Pan American Philippine Clipper 12.30 p.m. Jan. 1.

From France, via Hanol: Air France 12.30 p.m. December Jan. 5.

culminated in a distribution of gifts by Santa Claus.

The decoration of Commodore of the Crown of Italy awaits Mr. Cock in Hongkong. It is to be bestowed by the Italian Government, through its Consul-General, Marquis G. P. di Melito, in recognition of Mr. Cock's services, through the Whampoa Dock Company, in refloating the Conte Verde after the liner grounded outside Lyceum Pass in the typhoon of September 2 last year.

The ship was aground for several days, and at one time it was thought she might suffer the fate of the Asama Maru, which was stranded for months. Salvage work was successful, however, and the ship was refloated at the Whampoa Docks, resuming her schedule soon afterwards.

The date when the decoration will be presented has not yet been fixed.

Hail Brings A Shot

Men Accused Of
Robbery of a Sampan

An alleged robbery in Chinese waters on December 7 had a sequel at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, when three men appeared before Mr. E. Himsforth on a charge of receiving, or possession of, a junk, 330 ducks and three poultry crates, which had been stolen outside the Colony.

The men were Tang Kwong-shing, 24, and Ng Hing, 30, fishermen, and Chan Chau, 55, cyclist-bed watchman. They were all committed for trial at the Criminal Sessions.

Acting Sub-Inspector C. Goodwin said complainant, Li Yung, was a farmer and duck breeder residing at Sha Kok Village, Tung Koon, in Chinese territory.

On the morning of December 6, Li left Sha Kok in a sampan for Hongkong accompanied by his nephew, Li Kam-fook. In the sampan were 412 ducks in three crates.

Replied With Shots

About 7 p.m. on December 7 when between Ma On Chau and Sai Heung he saw a small boat containing three men following him. He called out to enquire what their business was, and they replied by firing a shot at him. Three more shots were fired when the boats got closer. This caused Li and his nephew to get frightened, and as the water was rather shallow at that part of the foreshore, they both jumped in and waded ashore. On looking back they saw the robbers towing the sampan towards Sai Heung.

After visiting Sai Heung the next morning to make enquiries, Li sent his nephew to Yuen Long while he went to Sha Hau to board the Po On Ferry for Hongkong.

Shortly after the ferry had stopped at Yung Lung Wan to take on cargo, a small sampan was noticed coming alongside with three crates of ducks on board. These were recognised by Li as his property.

A report was made to the assistant commissioner, who signalled to the No. 3 Police Launch which was on duty in the vicinity, and the three prisoners were arrested on the arrival of the police.

When charged the next day, first two prisoners said they were fishing in Chinese territory when they saw the sampan and the ducks on board. There were no people on board, so they picked it up to take to Hongkong to sell. Third prisoner said he had been asked to row the boat, and would be paid for it.

After Sergeant L. K. George, officer-in-charge of the No. 3 Police Launch, had given evidence of arrest, the men were committed.

PRETTY WEDDING

Mr. A. T. Dow Marries

Miss E. M. Noble

A picturesque wedding took place at St. Joseph's Church, Garden Road, yesterday afternoon, when Miss Edith May Noble became the bride of Mr. Alexander Toohy Dow, of Messrs. Gibb, Livingston & Co., Ltd., Hongkong.

THE BRIDE, who arrived by the Menelaus on Wednesday, is the elder daughter of Mrs. A. Noble, of Edinburgh. Arriving on the arm of Mr. H. V. Wilkinson, D.S.O., by whom she was given away in marriage, she looked radiant in a picture dress of stiff white lace, trimmed with royal-blue tulle. Her tulle veil was held in place by a dainty Juliet cap, and she carried a bouquet of white gladioli and African daisies.

Miss Elsie Lammeret was the bridesmaid, and wore a pretty frock of pale blue-net trimmed with bands of blue lace. With this she wore a royal-blue satin-crepe jacket, and a cap of mixed flowers, and carried a posy of violets and forget-me-nots.

The flowergirl was Joan Ball, who wore pale pink trimmed with dark blue satin-crepe, and carried a basket of pink flowers.

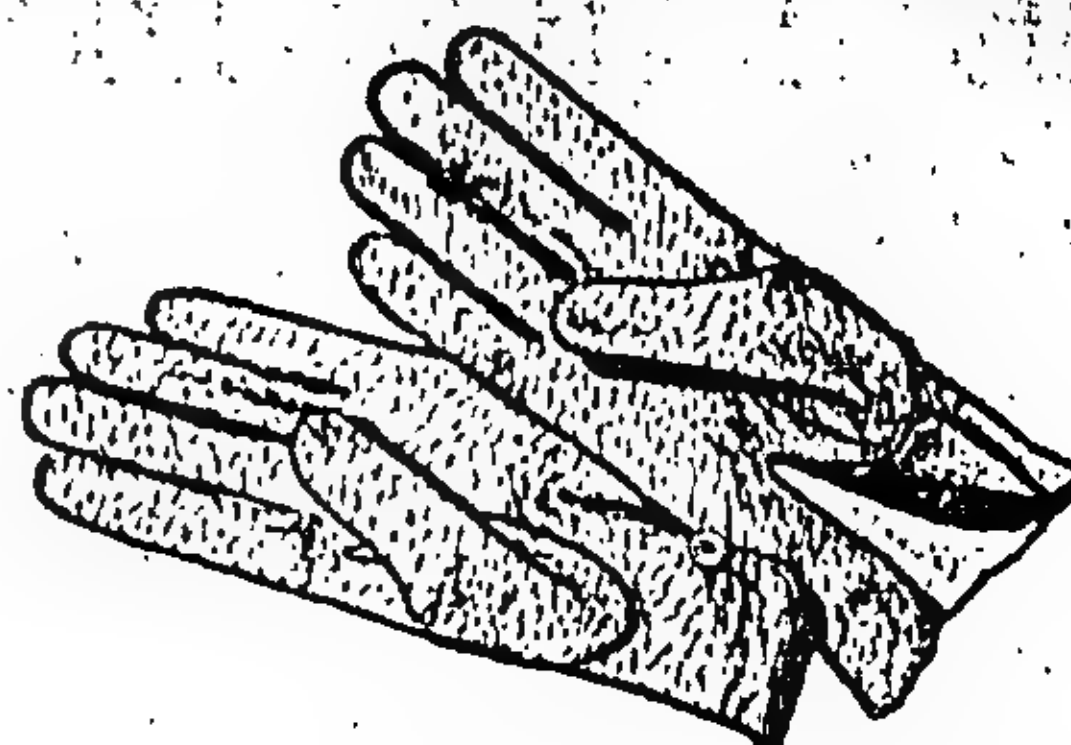
The Rev. Fr. R. Brookes officiated at the ceremony, and the Very Rev. Fr. A. Ripart rendered appropriate music on the organ. Mr. H. D. Bidwell understood the duties of best man.

Later a reception was held at "Craig Ryle," the Peak residence of Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Wilkinson.

When Mrs. Dow left for the honeymoon, which is being spent at Repulse Bay, and later a round trip to Japan, she wore a smartly tailored edge-to-edge coat in light blue, over a navy dress, with hat and accessories to match.

REGISTRY WEDDINGS

The last Registry wedding of the year took place at 3 p.m. yesterday before Mr. T. J. Gould, Deputy Registrar of Marriages, when Miss Luk Yin-kin, of 251 Wanchai Street, Hongkong, became the bride of Mr. Lam Wing-sui, clerk of the Sanitary Department. The witnesses were Messrs. Lam Ming-fan, manager of the Kowloon Motor Bus Co., Ltd., and Luk To-kay, brother of the bride.



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THE LIFE PRIMITIVE—FEW MILES FROM HYDE PARK

Commons Keepers' Cottages Are Lit By Oil Lamps

ADMIRAL SIR BARRY DOMVILE and others recently formed a deputation to meet the Wimbledon and Putney Commons Conservators to discuss the amenities of the commons.

One of the matters of which Sir Barry complains is the conditions in which some of the keepers live, which he has described as "almost primeval."

The keepers say they have no complaints at all, although, as one of them said, "There is always room for improvement everywhere. We are really very comfortable, though."

Nine keepers live on the commons. Three of them are in the old windmill and others in cottages scattered about.

Though less than five miles from Hyde Park Corner, there is no gas and no electric light in three of the cottages, and the sanitary arrangements are of the most primitive.

heat water and carry it to a portable bath.

With all these drawbacks, there are compensations.

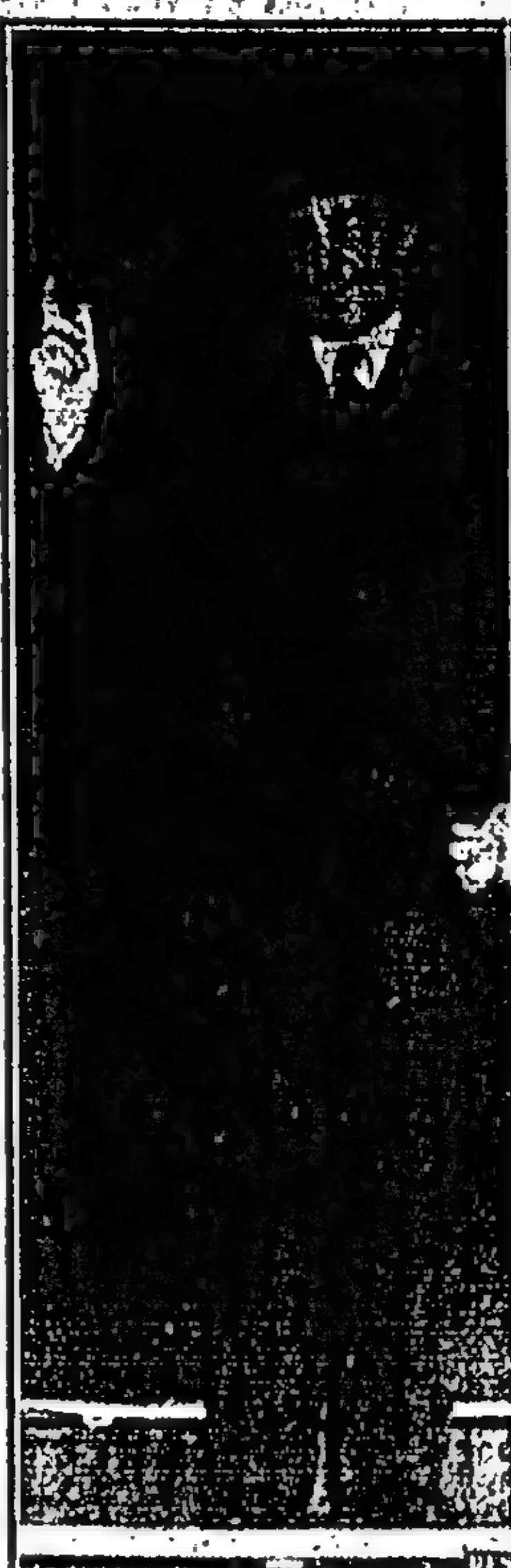
It is rather wonderful to live in the heart of London and to have a colony of wild rabbits living in a bank honeycombed with their burrows at the foot of one's garden and to come out on a moonlight night and see them playing in their dozens near to one's back door.

Or to wake on a winter's morning and see the whole world as far as the eye can see a mass of untrodden white snow—as isolated as a Yorkshire moor.

TREES UPROOTED

The Conservators have also been criticised for planting a formal avenue of birch trees alongside a horse-ride near the Windmill. This is an open, natural birch spot and the planting of the trees has been described as completely inappropriate and quite out of keeping with the wild amenities of the common here.

The birches were planted two or three weeks ago, and keepers found that a number of them had been pulled up and removed. Some of the lovers of the common declare that the Conservators ought to remove all the trees at once.



German Ambassador Hans H. Dieckhoff, recalled by his government, leaves the State Department building in Washington after making a farewell call on Secretary of State Cordell Hull. The call was exceptionally brief, the two remaining together hardly more than two minutes.

Royal Chat With Wife Of Workless Miner

A quilt, made and designed by Mrs. Hitchcock, wife of an unemployed Durham miner, was praised by the Queen recently.

Of the 2,000 exhibits in the Handicraft Exhibition held by the National Federation of Women's Institutes at the New Horticultural Hall, the Queen was most impressed by this exquisite rose-coloured silk bed-spread, beautifully quilted.

She stopped to chat to Mrs. Hitchcock who told her that things were "not too good" in Durham now.

"Is your husband working now?" the Queen asked, and when told "No" said, "I'm so sorry, I do hope things will improve for you."

Mrs. Hitchcock's husband has been unemployed for six years, so the Federation have paid her fare to London to attend the Exhibition.

2½ YARDS LONG

"I am lucky in having a big room I can give to my work," said Mrs. Hitchcock. "It has to be set up in a frame the size of the greatest length of the work (the quilt is more than 2½ yards long) and there, it has to stay till its finished."

Quilting is now more than just a hobby with Mrs. Hitchcock. She has qualified as a teacher of quilting and sometimes has taken classes for the Durham County Council.

Now she means to enjoy her holiday in London. When not on her tail at the exhibition she plans to visit the shops—everything from the toy bazaars and Father Christmas interests her—"And then I expect I'll be quite tired enough," she said, "and ready to go to bed in the evening."

Another country woman who is specially proud of her work is Mrs. Williams, of Bodwenna, Newborough, Anglesey. She cannot be at the exhibition, so a fellow member sent her a telegram to tell her that the Queen had bought her basket of Marraun grass, made from the sedge grass that grows near her cottage.

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Destination Of Rugby Cup Will Be Decided This Afternoon In Tournament Match Club And Navy Clashing

(By "Fly-Hall")

At the Club ground at Happy Valley at 4 p.m. to-day, Club and Navy meet to decide the destination of the Triangular Rugby Tournament Cup. There is incentive enough to bring out the best in both teams. Navy, having beaten Club once already this year, must win or draw this afternoon to retain the trophy, while the Club must win to recover it.

The result of the previous game was a win for the Navy by the narrow margin of one point (14-13), although if one looks at the score from a try-bearing point of view, Navy held a greater advantage than the score, as represented by points. They crossed the Club line four times against the Club's reply of twice. Since the game of December 10, both teams have recorded good wins against the Army.

The teams picked for to-day's game show few changes from those which met in the last encounter. Pay Lt. Stevens, having fully recovered from his leg injury, is preferred to Hunt for the full-back position. The return of Stevens will make the Club chances of try-scoring less as he is a sure tackle and his positioning uncanny. The Navy three are unchanged, as are also the halves.

BACKS WELL-MATCHED

Club are to play their regular back division. Individually, the backs are well-matched in attack but in defence the Navy men are more dependable.

Navy have included Hain and Griffiths in the pack to the exclusion of Northey and Pomphrey. The eight men to play have plenty of dash for the loose and generally it is in this department that a game is won. For the line-outs, Navy have capable men in Anderson, Ogilvie and Romans.

Dunnet comes into the Club pack to partner Peers in the second row. Both are hard-working forwards and should provide a well-balanced intermediate row. Club have the material for good line-out men but up to date their backs have seen very little of the ball from this source.

The result is hard to forecast. Navy generally establish an early superiority and advantage, because Club are slow in getting down. The Navy XV are better in combination and team-play, which has been exemplified lately in the clever cross-kicks from the wing men, which without fail land the ball in the hands of some forward or three backing up the centre of the field. Provided the Talbot-Elliott combination is not allowed to assert itself, the civilians have a good chance of winning.

Club "A" meet the Royal Engineers on the same ground at 2.45 p.m. Club should win what promises to be a hard game.

At the Banquet held at the Guildhall, London, on Wednesday, Nov. 9th, 1938, Sir Frank Bowater, Lord Mayor, the following wines were served:—

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TUSSLE FOR THE BALL



An incident in the Triangular Hockey Tournament match between the Army and Navy, played at Sookunpoo yesterday afternoon. The soldiers, who won their first game against the Navy comfortably, were held to a draw of 4-4.—Photo by A.A. Kahn.

Here And There With "Abe"

Local Tennis Players Feeling Better Now

WHILE it is not suggested for a single moment that the form shown by Leonardo Gavira and Amado Sanchez, the two top-ranking tennis players of the Philippine Islands, at the Kowloon C.C. on Thursday was anything like their true standard, at least the exhibition revealed one thing: it was that the level of play in Hongkong does not fall very far, if at all, below the general standard of the Islands. Granted that the visitors were not accustomed to playing on grass-courts, still they did not impress even when the ball was kept in the air and they did not shine to any appreciable extent in their volleying and smashing. As a matter of fact, Sanchez was extremely weak overhead, repeatedly smashing either out of court or into the net. So, assuming they generally play much better than they did, I don't think I would class them as a combination above the Tsui brothers, who beat them 6-3 in the only set which they played. Only Gavira played singles, which was a pity; for I am sure many would have liked to see how Sanchez would figure in this phase of the game. Not even their closest friends would claim for George Choa and Sze-to Bick that they are one of the best pairs in the Colony; yet they took a set from Gavira and Sanchez. But for the fact that Choa dropped his service in the third game, the first set might have been considerably closer.

Weak Forehand

THROUGHOUT the exhibition, it was fairly obvious that the ball did not rise sufficiently for both Gavira and Sanchez to use their forehand drives effectively. Being hard-court players, they are used to hitting the ball when it is fairly high; but on grass they had to use a bit of "lift" whenever they played their forehand, and so were always prone to over-drive. As I stated yesterday, it would be unfair to judge them on the form they showed in the exhibition. When they get to Saigon, they will find conditions

more like those in the Philippines and then they will be better able to do justice to their undoubted talents. However, they will meet with very stiff competition, for it is reported that Yvon Petra, of France, and Klio Sin-kle, the Chinese champion, are also taking part in the tournament.

Team Of Three

FROM the Hongkong point of view, it is unfortunate that the Tsui brothers cannot make the trip. Were they able to do so, the kudos of Colony tennis might receive a boost; the Tsuis have improved considerably during the past 12 months and can be relied upon to hold their own in all but the best company. On top of the refusal of the leading players to participate in the tournament, three of those selected have withdrawn from the team, thus necessitating the selection of others to take their places. Only two of the three vacancies have been filled, so the Colony team will consist of three, namely Sze-to Bick, George Choa and A. E. P. Guest.

Football Tour

LEAVING on the same steamer for Saigon as the tennis players, are the South China footballers, who are visiting Saigon at the invitation of the soccer officials there. Under the guidance of Mr. Mok Hing, 17 players and a secretary, Mr. Chow Yun-ning, will be making the trip. The players are Y. Z. Chang, Choo Siu-hong, Lee Tin-sang, Mak Siu-hon, Lee Kwok-wai, Lau Hing-chol, Lau Tin-sang, Tse Kam-hung, Lim Tak-po, Law Tau-man, Lai Shiu-wing, Chan Tak-fai, Fung King-cheung, Yeung Shui-yick, Lau Chung-sang, Kwok Ying-lee and Tang Kwong-sum. They will play seven games in two weeks—five in Saigon and two in Phnom-pent—and will be back in the Colony on January 21. The South China "B" have a Shield match on the day of their departure (New Year's Day), and will embark im-



The S.R. (B) team, which represented Hongkong in recent Far East Trophy match. Members of the team are Mac, Heather, T. J. Boulton, Capt. Sequeira, Sgt. Carey, Inspt. A.L. Hopkins, Sgt. Perkins, P.O. Swan, Sgt. Heep, Sgt. Hale and Sgt. Cooper.—Staff Photographer.

DON BUDGE SINGS THE PRAISES OF BARON VON CRAMM

Californian Says German
Ace Was Thoroughbred

By Lawton Carver

New York.

In a magazine piece which explains why he turned professional, J. Donald Budge seems to reveal himself as a thoughtful, appreciative and level-headed exception to the greed and thanklessness practised by most of our athletic idols.

He states almost bluntly that he is throwing in with the professionals because his family could use a little spare scratch, otherwise money, and he goes out of his way to pay his parting respects to officials of the United States Lawn Tennis Association and to admit that they have made him what he is to-day.

But what was most interesting about the red-headed young man's farewell to Newport and Wimbledon was the friendship and admiration he expressed for Baron Gottfried von Cramm. Under the circumstances, he might have stuck to the title of his piece, "Why I'm Turning Professional," and passed up any comment on the great young German star who only recently was released from a concentration camp after a hitch on a morals charge.

CRAMM AS INSPIRATION

But, instead, Budge has this to say:—
"Of all the players I have met, there was none I enjoyed playing more than Baron Von Cramm, of Germany, one of my strongest friends. I think my tennis would have been better this past year if he were still playing."

"My feeling after the Davis Cup matches at Germantown this year was that the competition couldn't have been so awfully strong if I was not feeling any too well. Von Cramm was an inspiration and an

incentive to play your very best. You had to, to win against him."

"Von Cramm" was a great sportsman as he was a player. We might play a terrific match, but to the evening we went out to a movie and never thought about tennis. I have seldom had more fun than I did in spending an evening with him and Gene Mako and Hinkel. On or off the court, Gottfried was a thoroughbred.

GREAT MATCH WITH GERMAN
The match with Von Cramm in the Davis Cup interzone round of 1937 is the one that I'll remember longest. Some have said it was the greatest Davis Cup match ever played. I will leave that to the tennis historians.

I'll interrupt Mr. Budge here to say that the tennis historians already are agreeing that it was the greatest match ever played. The situation was this: Fred Perry had turned professional and thus England was expected to succumb without too much fight in the challenge round against the United States or Germany, and relinquish the cup.

In the inter-zone final for the right to meet England, the United States and Germany had won two matches each when Budge and Von Cramm met, and the latter promptly moved out to the next point or set after they had split the first four. Budge went on from there to his dramatic victory.

Getting back to Von Cramm after that match, Budge says: "Von Cramm was such a wonderful sport that I felt it was the climax of my thrill of winning. When I saw that smile on his face, after he had lost the biggest match of his life, and knew how bitter his disappointment must be, I thought as I ran to the net, 'Gottfried, you certainly have got more out of the game than any player who has won everything.'"

FRIENDLY SPIRIT

"I want to add a last word to show the spirit in which our matches were played. Before we started, he said: 'Don, if you get a bad call, just look at the next point or shall we play them as they are called?'"

"My answer was: 'We will know between us if there is a bad call, and let's not hurt the feeling of the linesmen by throwing points.' "Early in the match I got a bad call. Gottfried said: 'It was such a friendly smile that you didn't mind being robbed. You'd take a bad call to see that smile.'"

"Last year, as a favour to me, Von Cramm went out to California to play in the Pacific Southwest and Pacific Coast championships. In return, I promised that I would play in Germany this last summer. But when I learnt that he had been taken into custody I refused to play in Germany. I know of no one who has been a finer ambassador in sport for his country than was Gottfried. Now that he has been paroled in Germany I sincerely hope that his great play and sportsmanship have not been lost to the game."

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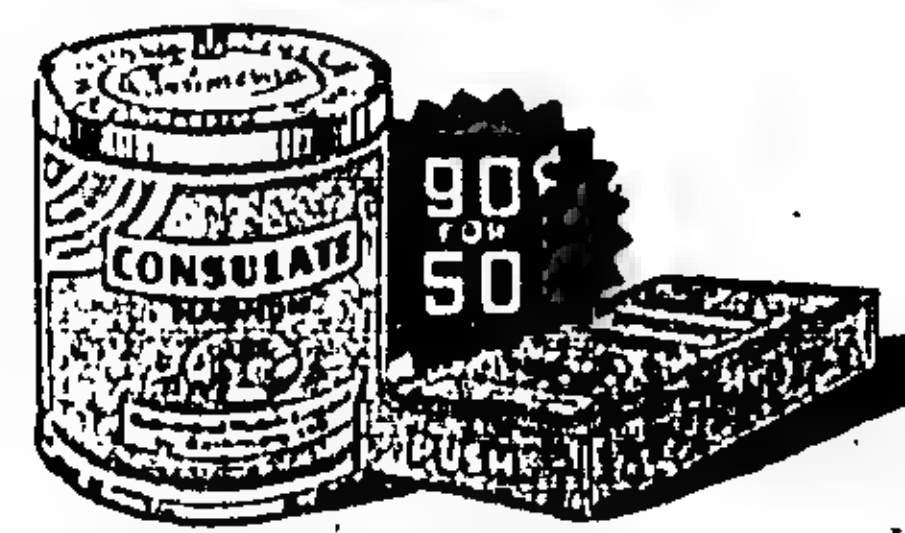
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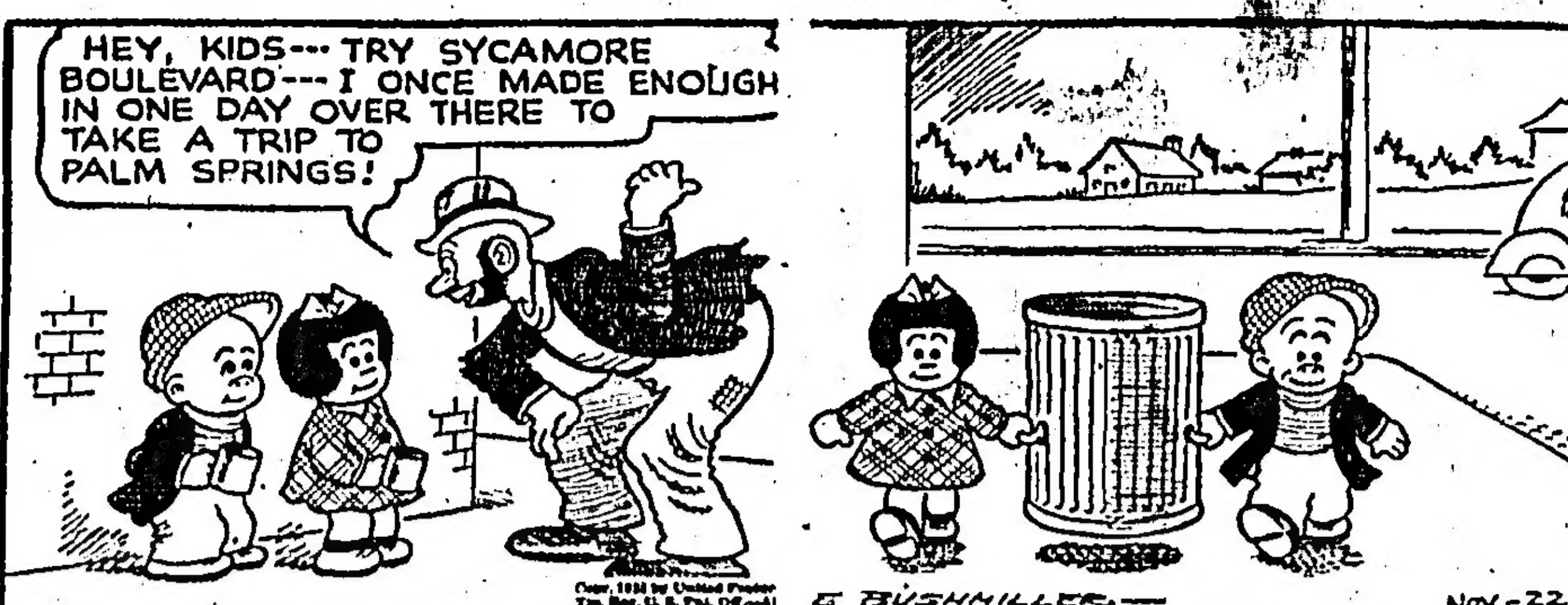
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NANCY

By Ernie Bushmiller



How Len Harvey Regained His "Heavy" Title

Low Punch Cost Phillips His Recent Fight

London, Dec. 1.

Len Harvey regained the heavyweight championship of Great Britain last night at Harringay Arena by defeating Eddie Phillips, who was disqualified in the fourth round, the referee, Mr. Jack Smith, declaring "a low punch." There were boos and cheers from all over the building, but there was nothing wrong with the referee's verdict. Harvey fought a brainy battle from the start.

He definitely outpointed Phillips for the first three rounds, and in the fourth fought as he has never done before.

Harvey had the killer spirit in him, and it was obvious that he would win sooner or later with a knockout.

Had Phillips not been disqualified, it is my opinion that Harvey would have won with a decisive punch inside half a dozen rounds, writes James Butler. He is to be congratulated on a magnificent display.

It was a remarkable performance for a man nearing his 32nd birthday to regain the heavyweight championship. Harvey is now the dual holder of both the heavy and cruiserweight titles.

PHILLIPS UNCERTAIN
Phillips was not at all comfortable during the first three rounds. He seemed uncertain of himself, and his threatened knockout punch was missing.

Harvey, on the other hand, was decidedly brilliant. It was masterful boxing on his part, blended with punching that, as I have said, he has never before revealed in any contest in this country.

On his form last night I should like to see Harvey matched with Tommy Farr. That would be a fight that would pack the biggest arena in this country, and I do not think that Farr would have matters all his own way.

Harvey was in magnificent condition. He was pale but cool, calm and collected, and just dictated the way he wanted the fight to go.

Phillips appeared to realise that he was up against it. He was cau-

tioned once for holding, and hitting, and then the blows which brought about his dramatic disqualification were undoubtedly low.

I do not say that these were deliberate but in the heat of the moment and with the intense attack engineered by Harvey he did not know what he was doing.

Harvey, I am sure, will now be ready to meet Max Baer or any other opponent that can be found to oppose him. He is on top of the world.

SNAPPY PUNCHES
Harvey was first to land. He landed with a left hook to the chin, and followed with a left and right, Phillips being content to cover up and defend himself.

Harvey was very spritely, and evidently intent upon winning quickly if possible, but Phillips was taking matters steadily waiting to land with a heavy cross-counter.

Harvey was doing all the attacking at this stage. He kept leading and landing with snappy punches, shooting out his right dangerously. Phillips landed scarcely a decent punch.

Phillips seemed in apprehensive mood, but he was probably waiting his time, but his face was already flushed as a result of Harvey's stinging punches.

Harvey did all the attacking from start to finish, and won the first round by a big margin of points.

An unusual incident occurred in the opening round, when Harvey's left glove was split near the thumb. The referee ordered his seconds to get another glove to replace the damaged one.

SMILING LEFT HOOK
Harvey began the second round with a smashing left hook to the jaw.



The S.R. (a) team, which represent the Colony in the recent Far East Trophy match. Members of the team are P. O. Richards, Cpl. Cole, Mnc. Croft, Cpl. Nunn, Mr. Gillman, Pte. Sim, Pte. Hammond, Cpl. Mahar Singh and P. C. Charan Singh.—Staff Photographer.

SPLENDID CENTURY BY LAY

A century by F. J. Lay featured the cricket match between the Combined Schools and the University.

Score:
F. J. Lay, c. G. Matthews 100
F. J. Lay, b. T. M. Sutter 51
T. M. Sutter, c. T. M. Sutter 4
G. Matthews, c. G. Matthews 4
G. Matthews, b. G. Matthews 2
G. Matthews, not out 1
Extras 20
Total (for 5 wickets, declared) 220

N. Smith, J. Fisher, T. L. Lockhart and W. Mulachy did not bat.

Bowling Analysis

	O	M	R	W
K. L. Ng	14	3	64	0
H. Singh	14	3	36	0
C. H. Teoh	16	1	63	0
C. H. Teoh	3	0	19	0
W. S. Gegg	2	0	11	0
G. Kew	2	0	16	0
D. Hutchinson	2	0	26	0
Extras	20	0	26	0
Total (for 7 wickets)	100	7	220	0

Bowling Analysis

	O	M	R	W
Smith	16	1	24	0
Hutchinson	8	1	17	0
J. Goano	15	4	33	2
Singh	4	2	8	0
Pryde	13	3	50	4
Kew	1	0	8	0

Phillips came up, and for the first time showed real ferocity. Phillips was cautioned for holding, and the crowd boomed, but whether against Phillips or the referee it was difficult to say.

was heavy fighting, full of thrills, as each was trying his utmost to score with a knockout punch.

Phillips was now joining in a great toe-to-toe slam. It was punch for punch, with Phillips using his right to great advantage. But Harvey was showing his old ringcraft, and tied Phillips up at close quarters. At the same time, he landed with heavy rights and lefts that undoubtedly shook Phillips to the heels.

DOWN FOR NINE

Once again Harvey showed the initiative in the fourth round. He flashed home half-a-dozen punches, and then, with a smashing left hook sent Phillips to the canvas, where he remained for nine seconds.

As soon as he got up Harvey set about him with ruthless fury, punching away with terrific blows that were a revelation. I have never seen him in such a ferocious mood. He literally punched Phillips into a stupor.

Phillips tried hard to fight back. He made a wonderful recovery, and had the crowd thrilled with excitement.

Phillips then caught Harvey a low punch with the left hand in the groin. The referee immediately disqualified him and declared Harvey the winner.

The promoter Sydney Hulls plans to leave for New York on December 17 to sign up Max Baer or, failing him, John Henry Lewis for a fight against Harvey in this country next spring.

LOCAL GOLF RESULTS

T. Low (13) reported as having tied with Col. King and Major McMillan at all square in the Old Course Bogey (Par) Pool of the Christmas Meeting, was actually one up, and won first prize.

KOWLOON GOLF CLUB

Simpson Defeats Eastman In Championship Final

In the final of the Kowloon Golf Club championship played on Christmas Day, W. C. Simpson beat L. Eastman 7 and 6. Eastman started very steadily, winning the first two holes in 3's, but Simpson managed to reduce the deficit and was one up at the turn; a well earned 34 in the second nine against a very strong cross wind gave him a lead of five holes at the 18th.

Simpson continued to play steadily in the afternoon, while Eastman, whose putting as a rule is very good, lost his touch on the greens and failed to reduce his opponent's lead. The game ended at the 30th hole. Simpson's score of 150 was a very creditable performance, and he is to be congratulated on winning his first championship.

STABLEFORD COMPETITION

T. A. Paton, with 34½ points, won the Stableford Competition of the Kowloon Golf Club, which was played during Christmas holidays. W. A. Ahern was runner-up with 33 points. There were 15 entries. G. Butterfield, playing the 6th hole—a distance of 150 yards—holed out in one.

BANTAMWEIGHT TITLE

Manila, Dec. 30.
The ten-round contest for what the promoters called the bantamweight championship of the Orient, between Star Frisco and Speedy Cabanala, resulted in a draw.

The crowd boomed the decision, believing Cabanala should have won. —United Press.



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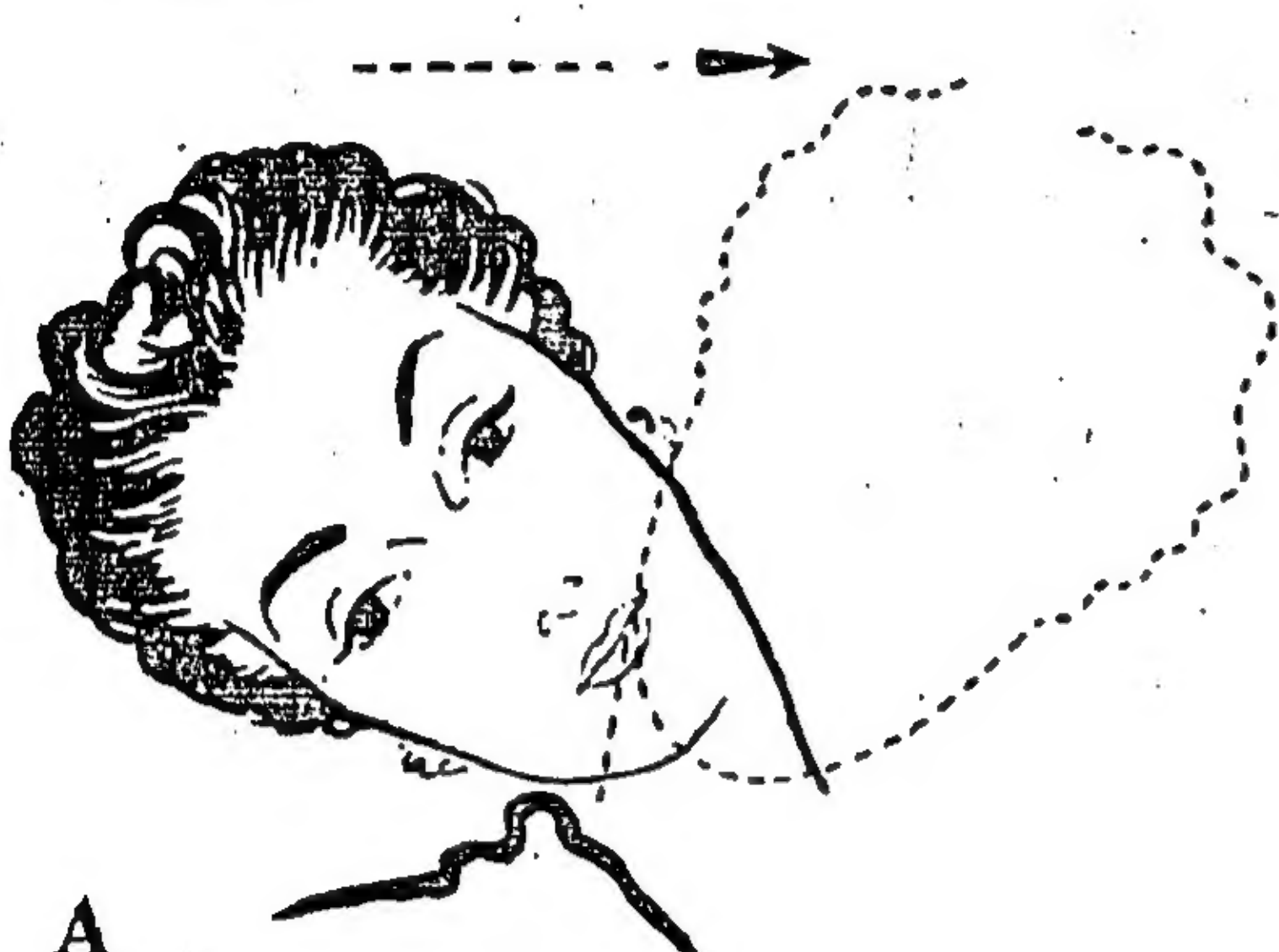
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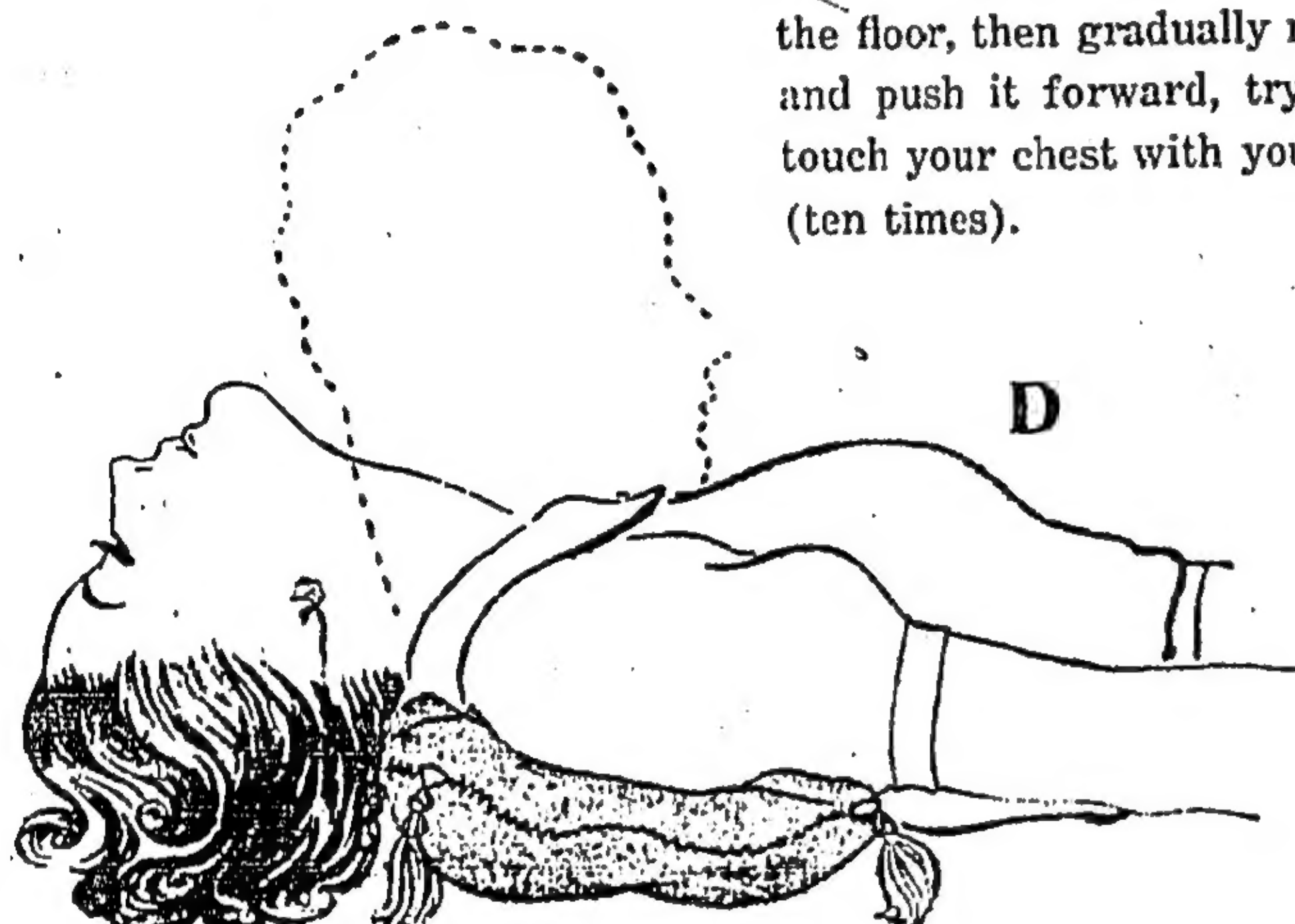
A Lean your head slowly over on your right shoulder as far as it will go. Then lift your head again and lean it over on your left shoulder as far as it will go (ten times).



B Let your head fall back as far as it can, then slowly raise it up and let it fall right forward on your chest (ten times).



D Lie on the floor with a cushion under your shoulder blades. Let your head drop to the floor, then gradually raise it and push it forward, trying to touch your chest with your chin (ten times).



C Roll your head from right to left and left to right in the widest circle it will make (ten times).

Cleaning Feather Trimmings

FEATHERS have staged a comeback, and are now one of the high lights of fashion on hats, as head-dresses and wraps. Feathers are everywhere.

Cock feathers which appear on hats may look grimy after a few outings in bad weather. They can be washed in warm water, using mild soap flakes. Dab them up and down carefully, then rinse in clear warm water, and finally cold water, dry them as much as possible in a towel, shake several times, and hang in the wind. They will look beautifully fresh after this.

Feather trimmings can be shampooed too quite successfully. Dip the feathers in a mild lather, and gently squeeze them with the hand. No rubbing, please! This would be fatal to their delicacy. Continue doing this, using only light pressure, until the feathers look clean. Rinse in a clear water of the same temperature, shake thoroughly, and dry in front of the fire.

The ends of the feathers can be curled by using an ordinary table knife and pulling each feather gently between the thumb and the back of the knife, but be sure that the feathers are perfectly dry first.

Ostrich feathers which require cleaning may be treated in this way. Make a bag large enough to hold the feathers, and into this put a quantity of bran. When the feathers are in the bag gently shake it before a fire for ten or fifteen minutes. Then take the feathers out.

The process may have to be repeated before the feathers are thoroughly clean. If the feathers are dyed, add a little salt to the bran. This will help to brighten the colours.

White ostrich feathers can be washed if necessary in the same way as feather trimmings, but a little blue should be added to the last cold rinsing water before shaking and drying in a warm kitchen.

Madge Whitley

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Breakfast Dishes

THESE breakfast dishes are economical as well as tasty, and have the advantage that they may be partly cooked the previous day and so save valuable time in the morning.

Savoury Apples

Cooking apples are cheap at present and are very good for the health. Take the required number of apples and core them, leaving in a piece at the end. Scoop out some more apple, chop it and mix with some seasoned sausage meat. Stuff the apples with this piling it high, sprinkle with breadcrumbs, add a pat of butter and bake in a moderate oven for twenty minutes to half an hour.

Bacon and Fish Rolls

Fillet of any kind of fish are suitable for this dish, but whiting or haddock are best. Place each fillet on a rasher of bacon (Wiltshire for preference), sprinkle with lemon juice or vinegar, season and roll up neatly. Put the rolls in a well-buttered dish, cover with greaseproof paper or lid and bake in a moderate oven for half an hour.

Bacon and Sausage Rolls

These are particularly tasty and will prove a favourite with the family. Skin some sausages and make the rolls as above, substituting sausage for the fish. Butter the dish very lightly, as the sausages provide plenty of fat, and cook in a moderate oven for twenty to thirty minutes. The addition of mushrooms or tomatoes or sliced apples is a great improvement.

Baked Herring

With herring featuring so much in the news we are all well aware of its value in providing food for body, brain, and nerves. Try cooking herring this way, and the family will be sure to want them again:—Fillet the herring and sprinkle each with lemon juice and season. Place them flat or rolled in a well-buttered dish, cover and bake in a moderate oven for about twenty-five minutes.

J. G.

Lynx Jacket



The blonde fur coat has greater acceptance this season, particularly in the brief, waist-length type. Note how the bulky natural lynx jacket is coupled with the full-gathered woollen dirndl frock.

Illinois Third Coal State

Springfield, Ill.

Illinois continues third in the list of states producing soft coal, the 1938 Illinois Year Book of the U.S. Bureau of Mines disclosed. The book reviews production for 1937 with final statistics for 1938.

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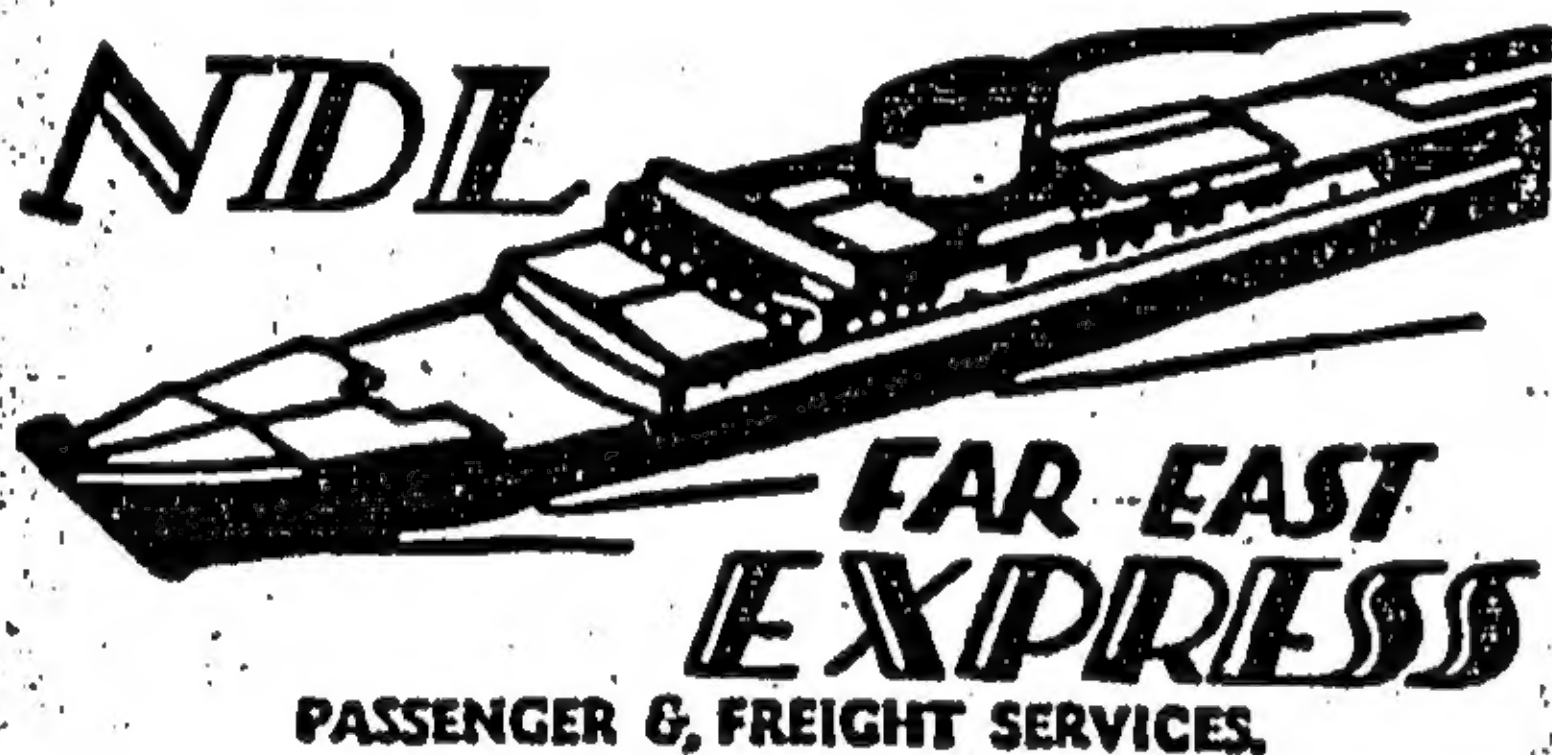
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Lazy Lou (Woodfield), Topper (Brown) and Miss China (Young) as they appeared at the fancy dress football match last Sunday.—Pictorial News.



Group of guests who attended the Christmas dance aboard H.M.S. Eagle.—Staff Photographer.



Father Christmas distributing presents at the recent children's party aboard H.M.S. Birmingham.—Staff Photographer.

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LATE NEWS

Government House Scheme Wound Up

The official winding-up of the Government House and City Development Scheme, which was planned in 1934 and financed by a special fund established under an Ordinance, is disclosed in to-day's "Gazette," which published the draft of a Bill for the repeal of the 1934 Ordinance. Abandonment of the scheme was indicated in a seasonal paper in 1938, together with the Governor's memorandum on the subject. It is now proposed to finance the projected new Government House and further city development without resorting to a special fund. Provision is made in the original Ordinance for the appropriation to general revenue of any balance to the credit of the special fund "when the said scheme is completed or abandoned." The fund now totals \$830,704, which will be transferred to general revenue.

H.K. Newspapers Attack Wang

All local Chinese newspapers this morning unanimously and bitterly attacked Wang Ching-wei and his message to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek and members of the Executive and Supervisory Committees of the Kuomintang, in which he proposed peace with the Japanese Government. Revealing that before December 22, when the Japanese Prime Minister Prince Konoye issued his statement on peace terms with the Chinese Government, Wang Ching-wei had already conveyed the Japanese terms to the Central Authorities in Chungking, the Sing Tao Jih Pao charges Wang Ching-wei with acting as a double to Prince Konoye. Wang Ching-wei left Chungking on December 18, four days before the Japanese Prime Minister released his declaration, the paper points out. Every time when China suffered a reverse during the fighting, the paper continues, Wang never failed to take advantage to propose peace with the Japanese in response to the enemy political and military pressures. "It is most ridiculous to find that Wang's message is but a copy of Konoye's statement," declares the newspaper. "However, it is most certain that the vicious Wang-Konoye double play will not slightly influence our determined will to carry on the holy war against the invaders."

Japanese Navy Reveals Work

Tokyo, Dec. 31. Reviewing the operation of Japanese naval forces in China in the past year, a communique issued by the Navy Department of the Imperial Headquarters claims that during the course of the past year a total of 920 Chinese aeroplanes were destroyed by Japanese naval air forces. Adding to the figure 577 planes claimed to have been destroyed in 1937, the total number of Chinese aircraft demolished by the Japanese naval air forces since the outbreak of hostilities until the end of this year would be 1,503. The Japanese losses include 63 in 1937 and 50 in 1938, totalling 113, the communique admits. Mines disposed of by the Japanese fleet forces in the past year include 2,312 in the Yangtze River, (including 336 floating mines) and 417 in Bias Bay and the Pearl River. The Chinese Navy lost 10 warships, totalling 7,788 tons, of which three were seized by the Japanese. Three gunboats of the Cantonese Navy were bombed and sunk in the West River, the communique further claims. The communique states that Japanese naval forces are still blockading the entire coast of China from the Peking Sea in the north to the South China Sea, a distance of over 1,200 miles, while the air forces have gained complete command of the air. —Doncl.

Franco Admits Loyalist Attacks

Barcelona, Dec. 30. It is admitted here that the Loyalists counter-attacked strongly in all the southern sectors yesterday, and are reported to be using millitamen drawn from reserves held ready to defend Barcelona, but it is claimed that the insurgents' machine-guns repulsed the attacks. General Franco's headquarters claim that insurgent troops, advancing to-day from Granada, captured the town of Bodega, and established a bridge-head across the river Canas, while troops which broke the Loyalist front before the Balaguer bridge-head, are advancing towards Camarasa, despite a temperature below freezing point. It is claimed that the insurgent advance here closed a pocket six miles deep and four miles wide, in which many Loyalists were surprised and captured. It is also claimed that the insurgents cut the Benavento-Soderburg road and now hold all the power-stations in the Lerida province, and control over half of the Spanish hydro-electric power. —Reuter.

6 JAPANESE PLANES DESTROYED ON GROUND

Wuyuan, Dec. 31. Six Japanese planes were damaged on the ground and 24 Japanese pilots and guards were killed and six others wounded when two Chinese planes raided the Japanese aerodrome at Paotow. The Japanese were completely taken unawares. —Central News.

JOSE LUIS DIEZ REFLOATED

Gibraltar, Dec. 30. Insurgent battleships, which fought the Loyalist cruiser Jose Luis Diez, and forced her aground near Gibraltar, withdrew at 6.20 p.m. today about five miles east of the Rock of Gibraltar, well outside British waters, while the British warship, Vanoc, was still standing by the grounded Loyalist cruiser. British military authorities announced that the crew of the Jose Luis Diez would be detained, and that the cruiser would be towed to Gibraltar harbour, where the vessel would be detained. At 8.3 p.m. the Admiralty tug refloated the Jose Luis Diez, and towed the ship to Gibraltar, escorted by the Vanoc. —United Press.

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